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The streets of Long Beach: Aksland wins LBGP Motorcycle Race. . . Carter ORV announcement expected April 7. . . Tom Brooks wins OCMC Great Bear Grand Prix. . . Cyclerama '77. . . Cleek and Evans killed at Imola

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THE LATEST POOP BY PAPA WEALEY

HosPITal stop: Texas motocross star Bobby Pickard broke his hip at the Texas Stadium SuperCross, and will be in traction for six weeks. He's in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 406, 1401 South Main, Ft. Worth, TX 76102. Mike Tidwell was moved from the Bay area back to his hometown of Upland, CA. Cards, letters and anything else that would make Mike feel better should be sent or directed to San Antonio Hospital, Room 461, 999 San Bernadino Rd., Upland, CA 91786.

Ron Turner will not be riding for FMF in European Grans Prix after all. Under AMA rules, riders need 80 points to advance from Novice to Expert within the Pro ranks. Turner has 75, but could have become an Expert. He made a conscious decision to remain a Novice according to the AMA, not realizing a Novice couldn't hold an FIM license.

Bob Hannah will ride the 125 class at Hangtown.

Marty Moates' first GP outing — in Spain on April 3 — started when Moates posted sixth fastest qualifying time. He was running fourth for 15 minutes in the first moto when the bike quit, and had moved from 40th to seventh in the second round before a shock snapped. Ossa was reportedly pleased, and Marty's mother, who told us, was so excited she forgot to ask her son who won.

"You'll be seeing a lot of me this year," Marty Tripes has said several times this year. His intent is to put one of the orange and black Harley-Davidsons at the top of either the 250cc or 500cc AMA National Series standings. When things are going right, Tripes is a definite threat. The question is, will everything go right?

Mitch Mayes thanks everyone who made it to the benefit races on March 5 and March 27. Their concern is appreciated.

Bob Messer of Team Army called to let us know that the rod bearing seizure that forced him to park his Maico in the last Saturday section of the California Two-day Qualifier was caused by a faulty pre-production (prototype) bearing. Rod bearings that seize will not be standard equipment on new Maico enduro bikes.

The Southern California speedway season opening has been officially delayed one month to May 3. The delay is the result of a raging controversy over purse money between promoter Harry "Godfather" Oxley (International Speedway, Inc.) and the Speedway Rider's Association (SRA). The riders want 40% of the gate receipts, which Oxley says is impossible — there isn't that much left after paying expenses. Talks with the SRA have stalled, and now Oxley is talking to the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) about promoting Class C short track every Friday night at one of three tracks, on a rotating basis. It could be that Class C will replace Class A (speedway) at Orange County, Irwindale, and Ventura.

Speedway promoters and the SRA board will meet Wednesday April 6 to discuss the speedway riders requests. The riders want 40% of the gate, compared to the 30% they now get, and a $300 increase in the guaranteed purse, with the increase going to second and third division riders.

Gary Tonda, not Rick Hocking, won that Northwest Indoor Series opener at Portland, Oregon. Hocking was second. The full story appears in this week's Northern Dateline.

On February 28, Nathan Hu was born to Bill and Deb Uhl. The baby weighed seven pounds, eight ounces. Showing refreshing good taste, the announcements sent out by one of America's most talented ISDT competitors made no reference to the baby being expected to be "future world champion." A tip of the Wealey duckbill to the proud parents.

Bob Barkhimer, promoter of the Camel Pro Series Mile slated for San Jose on May 15, will hold a half mile at the Santa Clara Fairgrounds on April 17. Many Pacific Coast National Number riders make this annual event as sort of a shake down of equipment for the coming season.

Watch for the Jones Motocross "Cycle Prop" on an upcoming episode of television's "Liar's Club." What is a "Cycle Prop?" Well, it looks like a piece of protective equipment worn in pairs by Joan of Arc, only with a dent in the middle. Got it?

Jack Penton won the "decision" over Dick Burleson, taking High Point honors at the John Zink National Enduro presented by the Tulsa Trail Riders on March 20. Tied at seven points each, Penton and Burleson's final scores were still under question until later in the week when an AMA decision put Jackie on at the tiebreaker check.

The Supercross double header scheduled for June 3-4 in the New Orleans, Louisiana Superdome has been changed to a single event June 4. the Battle of New Orleans, as the event will be called, was shortened to allow riders and spectators alike the opportunity to sample the delights of the Mardi Gras city.

We have photos, courtesy of W.W. Wilson, Jr. of Clarendon Hills, Illinois, of a certain racing superstar receiving the undivided attention of one of Daytona's finest--right smack-dab in the center of the "World's Most Famous Beach" during Speed Week. Seems like a certain factory rider sprang when he should have sprung. According to Wilson, "It looked to me like he was trying to do wheelies in the sand with his van." Wonder if he had altered the springs in his van?

A new AMA D-36 rule change allows up to 500cc singles to run in short track events. 500s will now be added to the programs promoted by the Monterey Bay Rams at the Salinas Airport, starting April 24.

As a result of a seminar held with the California Highway Patrol, the California Department of Motor Vehicles, and the California Motorcycle Dealer's Association in Anaheim, a special bulletin went out to all DMV offices explaining that a competition bike does not have to be brought into a DMV office to be issued an "orange sticker" (registration for closed-course race track-only machines).

Maico's Graham Noyce won a non-GP 500cc MX in Herentals, Belgium on March 6. Young Noyce beat out Roger DeCoster and Sylvain Geboers among other European notables.

Billy Uhl, starting in April, will join the Maico Enduro Team on a WR250. Listed on the '77 Maico line-up are Lars Larsson, Barry Higgins, Bob Mercil, Bill Harris, Ben Watkins and Fort Hood's Team Army.

The Baja International drawing is at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 9 in Parnelli Jones' race complex, Torrance, Calif. Tours of the "PJ" race shop and light refreshments will supplement the drawing for start position in the S.C.O.R.E. off-road classic. The race itself is set for June 10, first vehicle out at 8:00 a.m.

The Bureau of Reclamation has released a proposal for limited re-opening of three areas around Cascade Reservoir, near Boise, Idaho. The area had been under a blanket closure to ORVs since August, 1974. Copies of the proposal, with maps, are on file at the BOR Regional Office, 550 W. Fort St., Boise; Valley County Courthouse, Cascade City Hall; and at Donnelley City Hall, Donnelley, Idaho.

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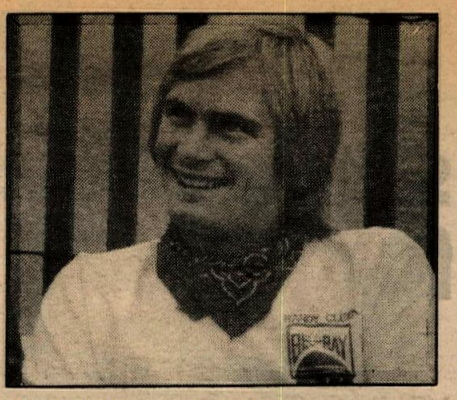

The late Randy Cleek in 1976.

Cleek, Evans die

Tragedies mar Roberts' Imola win

IMOLA, ITALY, APR. 4

A superb performance by Kenny Roberts of Modesto, CA, in winning Sunday's 200-mile Formula 750 World Championship Road Race at Imola, Italy, was clouded by separate tragedies which claimed the lives of three Americans.

Pat Evans of El Cajon, CA, suffered critical injuries in a single-bike crash during the opening 100-mile segment of Sunday's race on the 3.13-mile course at Imola.

Evans, a 21-year-old bachelor, crashed at an estimated 165 mph, suffering severe brain, spinal and chest injuries. Doctors at the Bellalra Hospital in South Lazarrow, Italy, listed Evans in guarded condition late Sunday and indicated his chances for survival were slim. Evans later died.

Just hours after the completion of the race, 1976 U.S. Road Racing Champion Randy Cleek, 21, of Shawnee, OK, and five other persons were killed in a two-car traffic accident near Imola. Cleek, Kurt Kiefer of the Bel-Ray Lubricant Company, (which sponsored the talented Oklahoma rider), and Italian translator Giuseppi "Joe" Geraci, as well as three persons in the second car, all died in the crash.

Cleek, 21, is survived by his wife Tracy and his parents, Bill and Mona. Evans is survived by his parents, Dave and Hannah. Kiefer, a bachelor from Farmingdale, N.J, is survived by his parents.

Just prior to Sunday's race, the second in the 1977 Formula 750 World Championship Series, Evans had signed a contract with the Honda factory to ride in major European endurance races this year.

Both Evans and Cleek had been selected as American team members for the Anglo-American Match Race Series, a traditional Great Britain vs. United States road race series conducted in England over the Easter weekend.

On the race track, Americans Kenny Roberts and Steve Baker of Bellingham, Washington, dominated the twin 100-milers at Imola, finishing 1-2 respectively in both heats. That finish left the pair tied for the World Formula 750 points lead with 27 points each. The series' opening race was March 13 at Daytona International Speedway, where Baker won and Roberts was second.

Finishing third at Imola was 15-time World Champion Giacomo Agostini of Italy, following by Christian Sarron of France and Boet van Dulmen of Holland. The top five finishers were all riding Yamahas. Sarron's effort, coupled with a seventh-place finish at Daytona, moved him into fourth in the F750 standings behind the Baker-Roberts deadlock and Takazumi Katayama of Japan. Katayama finished sixth at Imola and has 15 points, closely followed by Sarron's 12.

Yamalube R gave Bob Hannah a strange form of amnesia: he suddenly forgot how to lose.

UNDEFEATED AFTER HIS FIRST 12 MOTOS OF 1977, YAMAHA'S YOUNG, TALENTED AND PERSISTENT *BOB "HURRICANE" HANNAH* HAD DOCTORS AND PIT CREWS EQUALLY PUZZLED.

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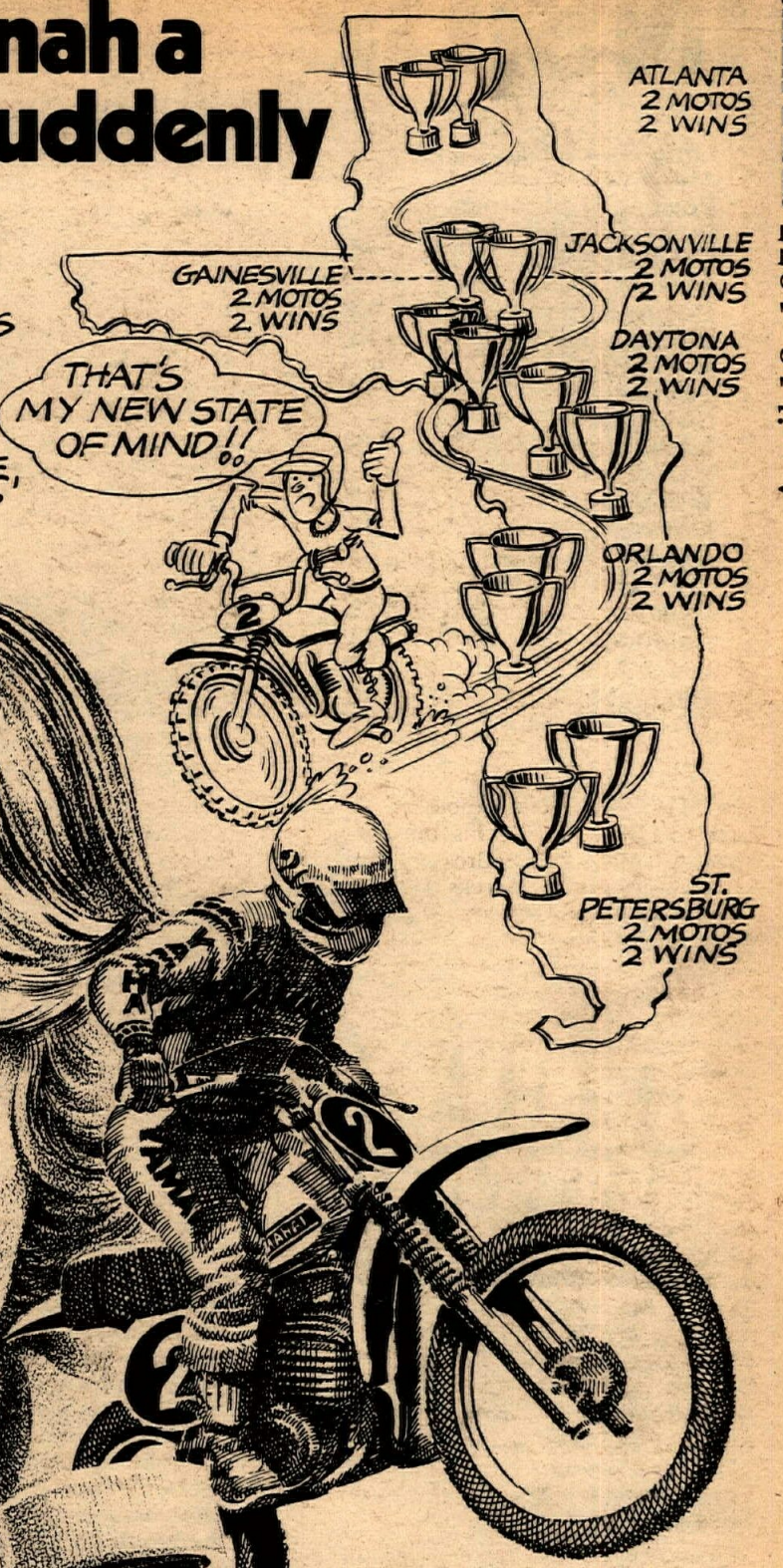
BESIDES HELPING THE *"HURRICANE"* TO A DAYTONA SUPERCROSS VICTORY, YAMALUBE R ALSO AIDED TEAM YAMAHA'S WINS IN THE NOVICE, LIGHTWEIGHT EXPERT AND FORMULA 750 EXPERT FINALS.



NO ONE WILL SOON FORGET WHAT YAMALUBE R HAS DONE FOR BOB HANNAH. BUT, WITH THE "HURRICANE" CONTINUING TO RAMPAGE, THERE'S NO DOUBT THE COMPETITION IS GETTING SLIGHTLY NEUROTIC. WHO KNOWS? THEIR ANALYSTS MAY SOON BE PRESCRIBING *YAMALUBE R* FOR THEIR BIKES, TOO.

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What about IWMA and Kasey?

What has happened to International Women's Motorcycle Assoc. (IWMA)? Are they going to have a Women's National this year? I sent my check to pay my dues for this year, but it came back stamped "box closed." I need any info as soon as possible.

RONNA TYLER
Big Springs, TX

IWMA, and founder Kasey Rogers, are both alive and kicking at the same address: P.O. Box 7804, Van Nuys, CA 91409. Kasey let the box rent lapse, but it's open again. Ms. Rogers is also working on an August 27-28 Women's National at a virgin (no pun intended) track somewhere in Southern California. She says there will be no IWMA dues at this time, but wants all interested lady racers to stay in touch . . . Ed.

Ticket to San Jose

Please send the promoter's name and address for the San Jose Nationals. I want to get tickets well in advance.

DON MUCHOWSKI
Mesa, AZ

It's Bob Barkheimer & Associates, 14 Camp Evers Lane, Scotts Valley, CA 95066. Better hurry — many people want advance tickets . . . Ed.

What an ORV park is like

Anybody interested in knowing what an ORV park would be like in the Los Angeles area need only go to Texas Canyon (near Newhall) on any weekend. If you do, be prepared to take your life into your own hands.

Dune buggies and jeeps screaming up hills as bikers come over the top "blind" in the opposite direction.
Small kids on bikes that are too big for them and others who are totally inexperienced doing wheelies through the so-called pit areas and endangering the lives of everybody. These same individuals also blast around the hills and canyons on bikes that are no more than uncontrolled missiles.
Debris and broken glass all around.

A large number of people who use this area are unable to either control themselves or their children and would spoil any open ORV park for everybody as they have done with Texas Canyon.

Our whole family, including myself, my wife and two boys are avid dirt bikers, but in this regard we have to be realistic and agree with the opposition to a Los Angeles ORV facility. A public facility, as Texas Canyon now is, would not serve the serious ORV people. Furthermore, it would result in many accidents which would only serve to further alienate the community against our cause.

If you want to go biking close to Los Angeles you still have Indian Dunes, Saddleback, and other places. Why tax the community for something that will by present experience be a total bust?

LAURENCE D. READER
North Hollywood, CA

VOICES OF THE WEST

Invaders M.C. for Wagner

The Invaders M.C. is sponsoring a readjustment fund for Steve Wagner of the Buzzards M.C. Steve broke his back November 21, 1976 at the Desert 'Knights' race and has been in the hospital ever since.

Let's be realistic. His life is now that of a paraplegic confined to a wheelchair. Being paralyzed from the waist down is like half of your body being dead; but you still have to drag it around and take care of it. Steve will soon be discharged from the hospital. They have done all they can for him.

We have contacted all AMA District-37 board members and clubs, plus as many individuals and companies as we could asking for donations (tax deductible) to help in part the cost of hospital and doctor bills, dependable transportation with hand controls, equipping his home with a ramp and wider doorways, and whatever else he needs to adapt back to a normal life.

The Invaders are speaking from experience, as we have a member in our club who had the same accident June 2, 1974. He still comes out to the desert and has a friend race his motorcycle even though he can't ride himself. We think most of you know Michael Leckich.

Please contribute to the Steve Wagner readjustment fund. We owe it to ourselves — the people of motorcycling. If you can stand up and walk please help a guy who can't.

Send contributions to:
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(213) 531-2647

INVADERS M.C.
Long Beach, CA

Sometimes people forget that Mitch Mayes, while the most famous, is not the only desert racer who has suffered paralysis after a racing accident . . . Ed.

Uncertainty gap

I am writing to find out any information on some shocks you had advertised some months or years ago. These shocks had something like six and a half inches of travel and came in lengths between 14 and 16 inches I think. I would like to know if these shocks are still made and if so the address of the company or persons whom I could get them from.

RICK TROYER
El Cajon, CA

AFM to Peter Frank and WERA

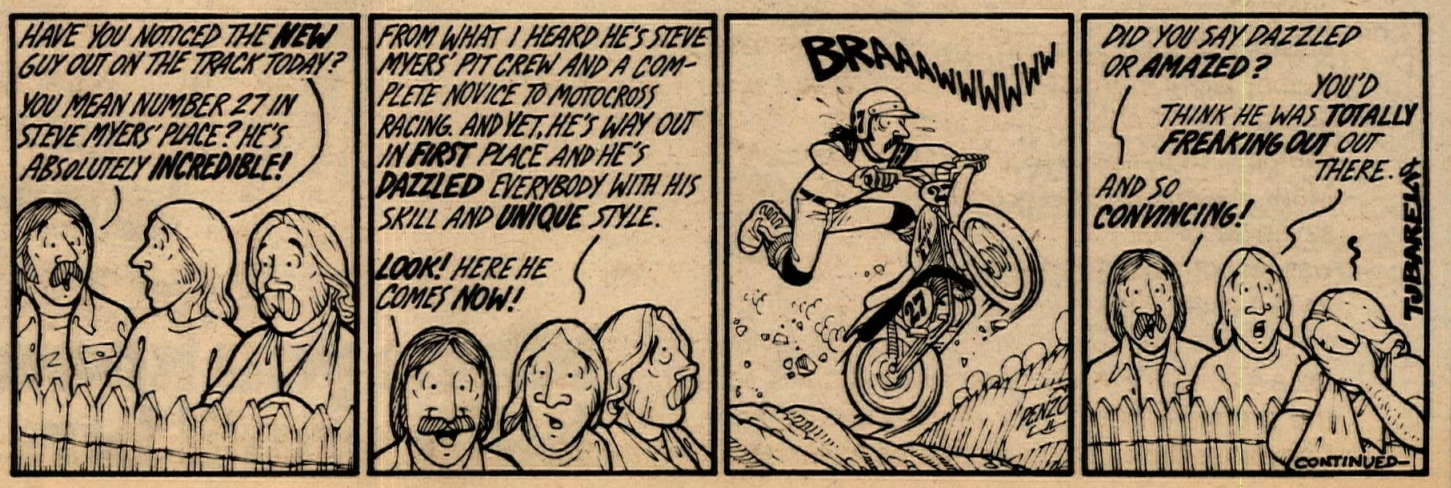
We recently received a copy of your January 3, 1977 promotional packet and covering letter signed by Judith Horn of the WERA Advertising and Promotional Department. From Ms. Horn's letter we infer that the packet was similarly addressed to numerous other prospective sponsors/advertisers of your Association. Your "tentative" race schedule of dates and locations of your Region 3 are in direct conflict with the previously established facts of the 1977 AFM Schedule.

One of the attorneys in our organization, after examining your "tentative" schedules, pointed out that unfair competition is defined by California Civil Code Section 3369.3 to include unfair, deceptive, untrue or misleading advertising, and that California Business and Professions Code Section 17500 provides that such conduct is unlawful.

We want you to be 100% clear that there is no factual basis whatsoever for your Association to represent, for example, that you have any connection with the May 15th Sears Point AFM race, or any other AFM race, event or activity. You should be clear that there exist *no* agreements, contracts, meetings of the minds, letters of intent, deals, arrangements, or relationships whatsoever — final, preliminary or tentative — between the two organizations, that the AFM has no current intention of entering into any relationship or agreement with your Association, and that the AFM strenuously objects to any representation to the contrary, which representations have or will cause damage to the AFM.

HARRY BRESACH
Chairman, AFM, Inc.
Board of Directors
Buena Park, CA

Bresach's letter to Dr. Peter Frank and the Western/Eastern Roadracer's Association (WERA) is in response to WERA's misrepresentation of American Federation of Motorcyclists (AFM) road races in California as being WERA-sanctioned. In fact, Bresach and Bill Ralston, listed in WERA press releases and promotional literature as being WERA "Regional Executives," have nothing to do with Frank or WERA . . . Ed.



HONDA BROOMS COMPETITION WITH "CLEAN SWEEP" OF RED GARTER NATIONAL.

Team Honda riders Jay Tullis and Mike Adams rode their specially-prepared Hondas to the overall win at the March 20th Red Garter National Championship Enduro. Tullis, on his MR-175, out-performed all but his teammate, while Adams powered his enduro-prepped CR-250 Honda in to share with Tullis in the victors' glory. Both riders had identical scores with zero points lost and a total of only four seconds from all the tie breakers! Third overall, closely shadowing the performance of these two riders was Mark Heacox on his modified XL-350 with a score of zero plus seven seconds! The trio, apart from giving Honda the overall win, was responsible for wins in the 175, 250 and Open classes as well as the overall Team win.

The Red Garter event, noted for fast, tight trails which really tax a machine's maneuverability and quick acceleration, is one of the premiere West Coast enduro events. Held in the Ballenger Canyon section of the Los Padres National Forest, the 125-mile run utilized a wide variety of terrain, from snow-covered trails and rocky climbs to very tight foot-wide goat trails. One hill in particular was so slick and tricky that a number of riders had to be "helped" over the top.

This year's sweep was the second year in a row that Team Honda has taken the top three places at the tough Red Garter, and the third year out of the last four in which Jay Tullis and his MR-175 have been unbeatable.

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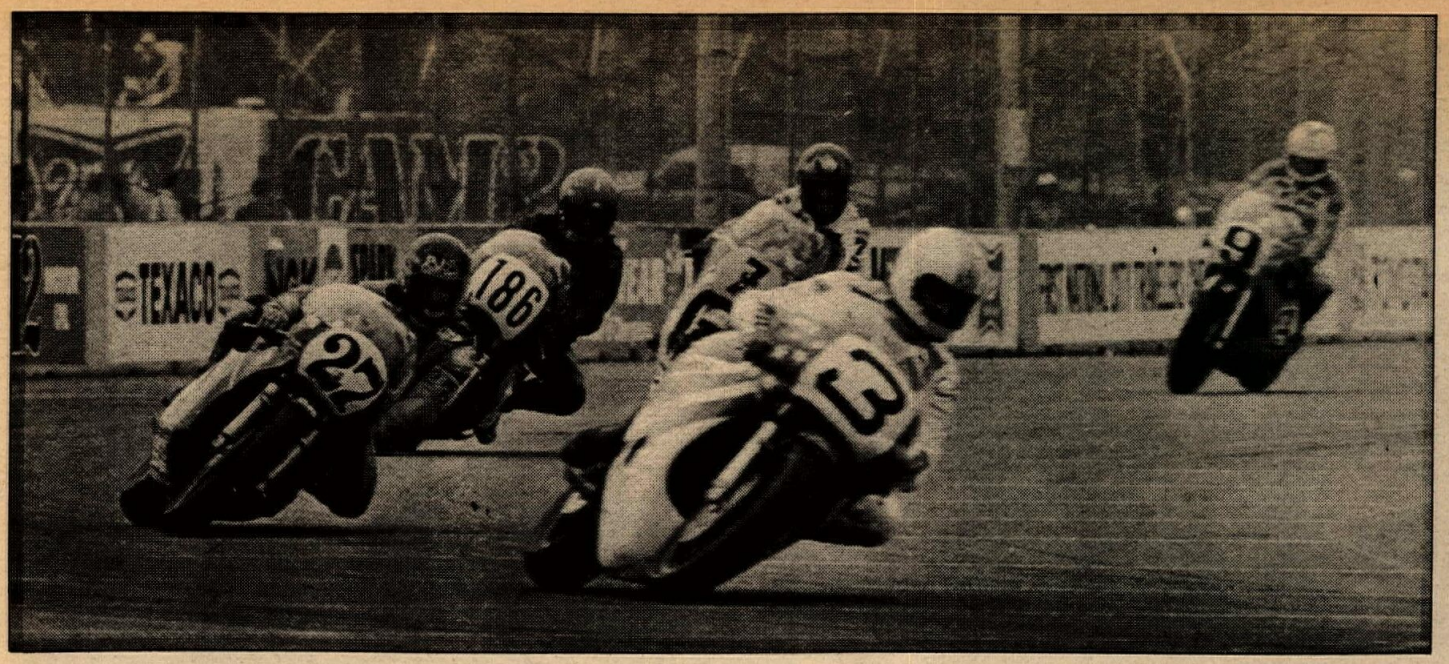
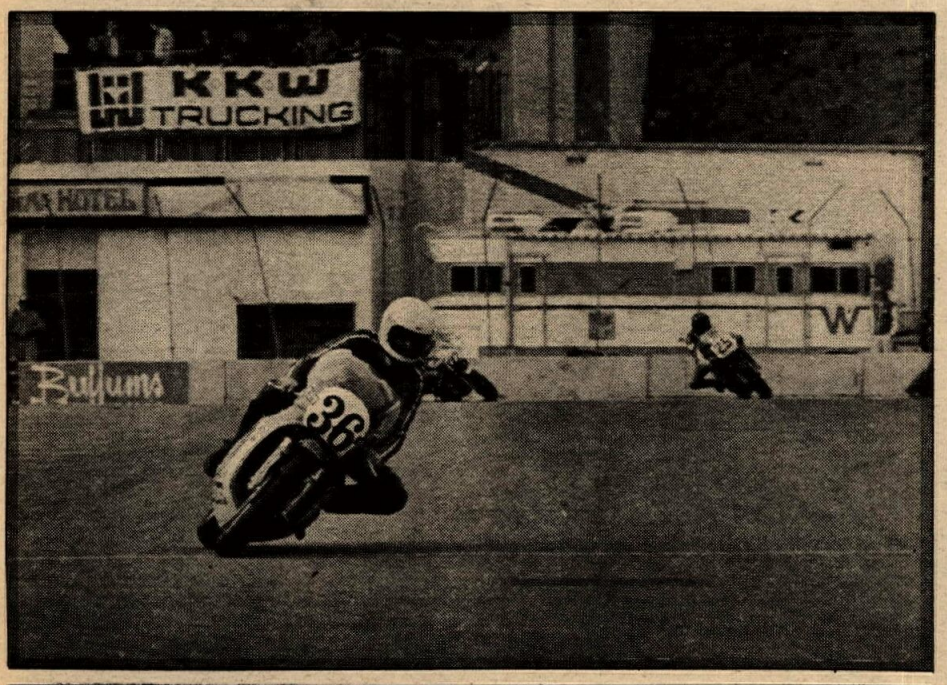
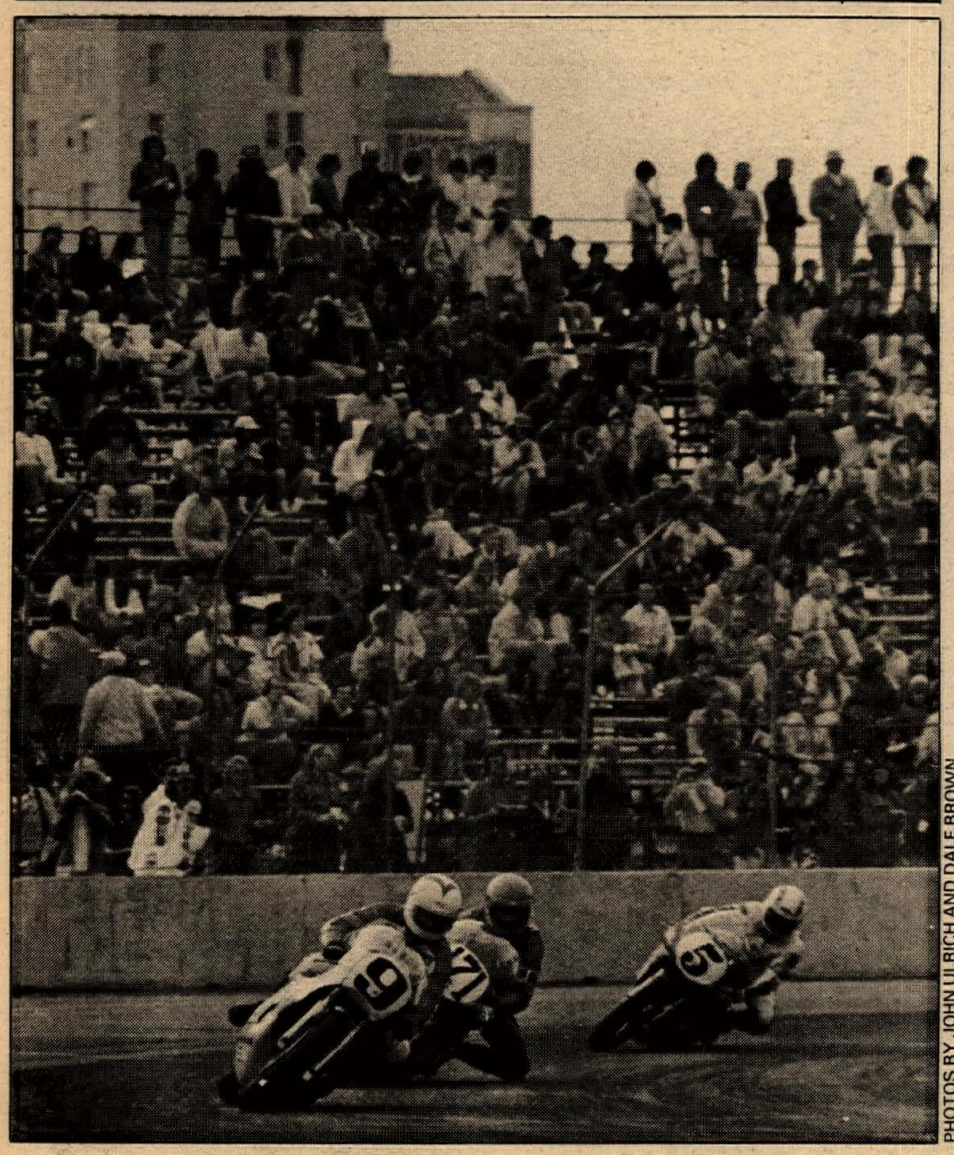


(Above) Gene Romero (Yam 3) leads Skip Aksland (Yam 27), Mike Baldwin (Yam 186), Barry Sheene (Suz 7) and Gary Nixon (Yam 9) on the first lap. (Right) In the winner's circle, Aksland tells Roxy Rockwood how it was. (Below) John Long (Yam 36) leads David Emde (Yam 25) and Dale Singleton (Yam 122). Long finished fourth, Emde lost a lap in the pits, Singleton crashed. (Bottom) Gary Nixon temporarily holds off Rob Murray (Yam 171) and Gary Scott (Yam 5). Nixon removed the cast from the wrist he broke just three weeks before at Daytona, and finished seventh.





PHOTOS BY JOHN ULRICH AND DALE BROWN

Aksland wins Long Beach GP

By John Ulrich

LONG BEACH, CA, APR. 2

Skip Aksland led from the first turn of the second lap to win the 76-mile motorcycle race held on the Long Beach GP through-the-streets road circuit Saturday. Aksland, who took over first place when early leader Gene Romero overshot turn one and stalled his bike's engine, won $4,590 in purse, qualifying and lap money.

Ironically, it looked like Aksland might not even start the race. About 20 minutes before the start, he was attacked by overzealous garage guards as he ran to don his leathers. "I guess they thought I was illegal because I was running," said Aksland, "but I was waving my pass and flicking both sides. One guy grabbed me and I pulled away, then another guy was going to tackle me."

Aksland was saved from the violent guards by Cook Neilson and others, who pointed out that Aksland was a racer and already late to the grid.

Once he actually made it to the start, Aksland had little trouble winning the race. Starting from the front row, Aksland shot into second place behind Romero and ahead of Mike Baldwin, Barry Sheene, and Gary Nixon. From the moment Romero ran off the course, the race belonged to Aksland. His margin of victory after 38 laps on the 2.02-mile course was 18.6 seconds.

"I wasn't really trying that hard," said Aksland after winning. "I just set a pace for myself, got about a 20-second lead, and held it. I got great pit signals from my pit crew, Terry Sage and Tim Rockwood. I think I might turn out to be a decent road racer after all."

Aksland, who drew oooohs and ahhhhs from spectators with the authoritative way he threw around his D.A.R.T. PJ-1 Lubricants-sponsored Yamaha TZ750D, turned race lap times around 1.40. He had qualified second fastest at 141.548.

Romero called his second-lap excursion off the course "a case of being under combat conditions and wanting to win. I didn't know what to think. It didn't seem like I was getting in too hot, but there was just no way I could stop it. I just knew I had a heck of a lot of time to make up and had to do it pronto."

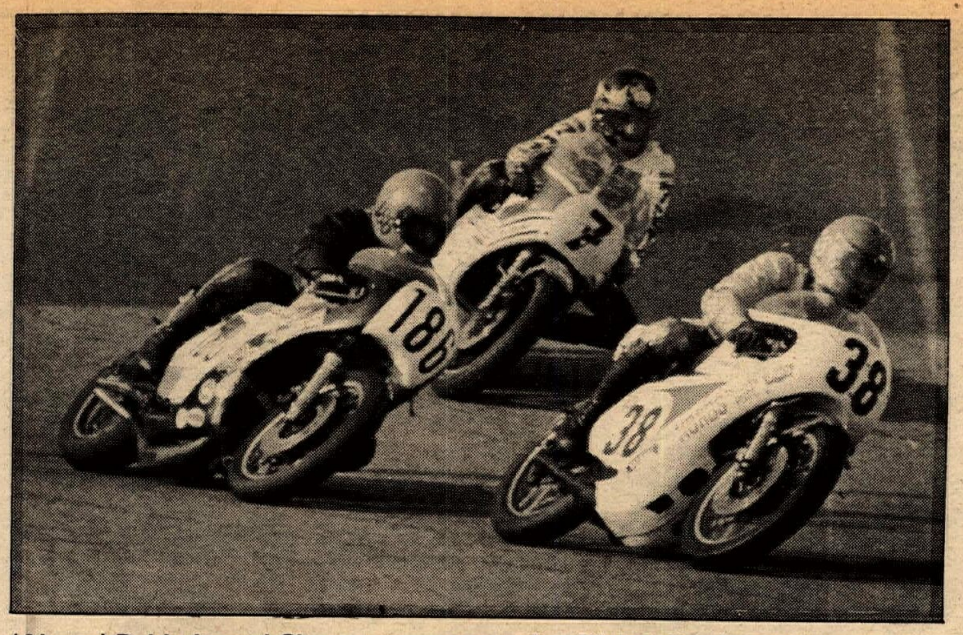
After bump-starting his Don Vesco/Evel Knievel/Jardine/Ocean Pacific Sunwear Yamaha TZ750D, Romero charged from 12th place at the end of the second lap up to fourth at the end of lap three, right behind Sheene. By the seventh lap, Romero was third, behind Aksland and Baldwin, and on Lap 10, "Tiger Gene" Romero was in a secure second place.

"I was really shocked I made up as much as I did," said Romero, who took home $2,620 for second place, third fastest qualifying time, and one lap worth of lap money.

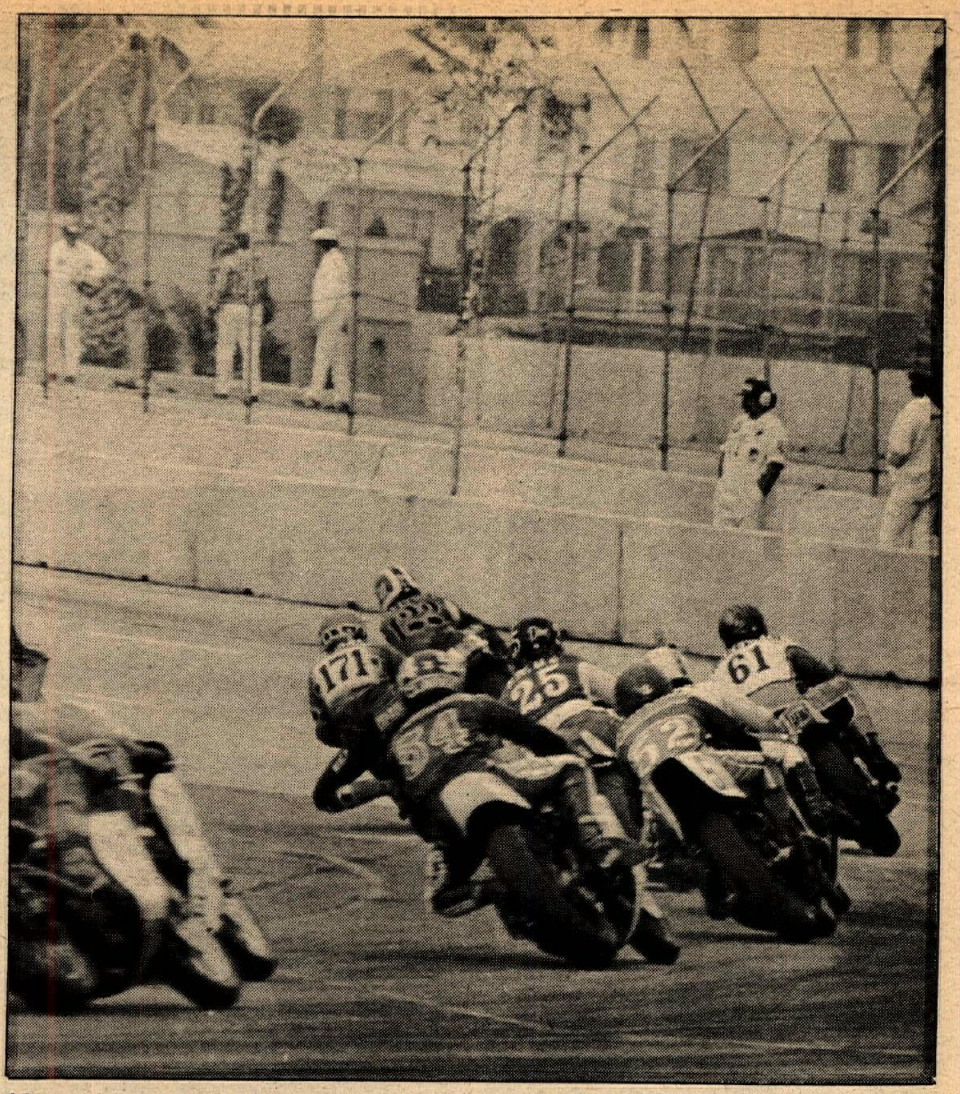
Fast qualifier Barry Sheene finished third on his RG500 Suzuki, blaming a last minute tire change. "It was all my fault," said the 500cc World Champion, who was hyped up as the race favorite in pre-event publicity. "We changed the rear tire to the wrong compound. It was just a stupid, idiotic mistake."

By the time Romero had bumped started his bike and gotten back into the race, Phil McDonald and Walt Foster had collided and crashed at the same place as Romero had run off.

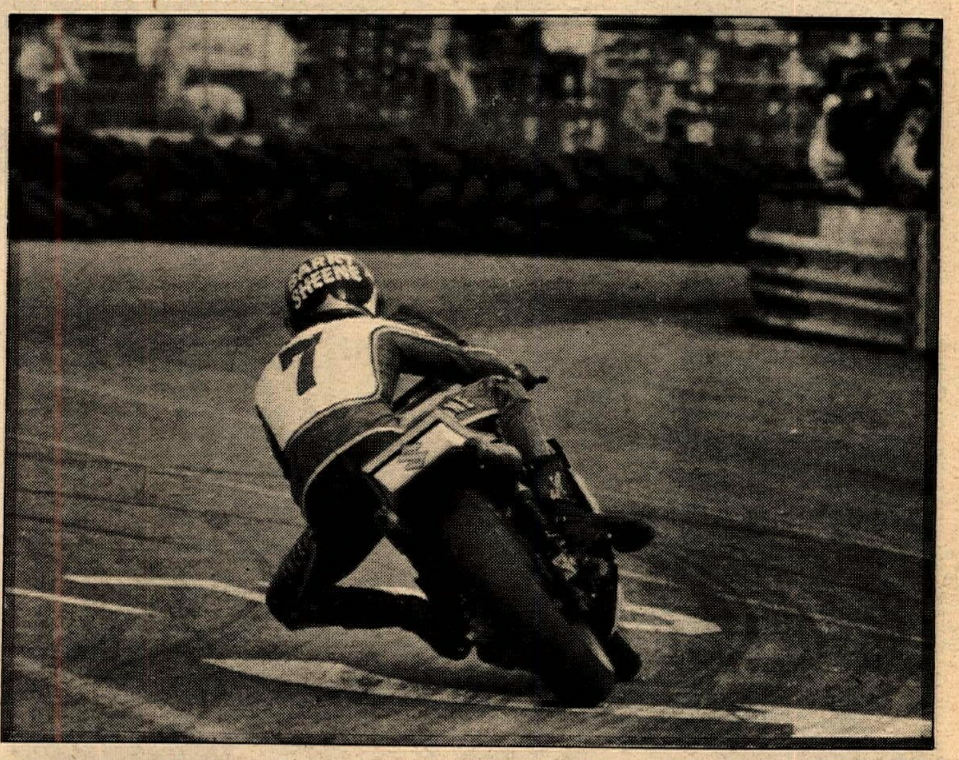
As Romero moved through the pack, Mike Baldwin held off Sheene for second place on his self-sponsored, self-tuned 1975 TZ750. But by the time Romero had caught and passed Sheene for third place on the seventh lap, Baldwin's bike had fractured an exhaust pipe and was down on power. Romero passed into second place on the 10th lap, but Baldwin continued to hold off Sheene, riding his heart out in an effort that later drew compliments from Gary Nixon. On the 36th lap, Baldwin, 22, saw his sure



(Above) Baldwin and Sheene come up to lap Dick Fuller (TZ250) late in the race. Baldwin's bike was already sick, but Sheene couldn't get past until Baldwin ran out of gas. (Below) Kevin Stafford (Yam 52) leads Nixon and Murray up Alamitos Ave. It was Stafford's fourth 750cc ride. Behind, Scott is catching up fast.



(Above) Dale Singleton (122) has the point in this first-lap charge, pursued by Murray (171), Emde (25), Wakefield (61), Scott, Stafford (52), Mike Clarke (54) and others. All rode Yamahas. (Below) Picking the wrong rear tire put Sheene out of the hunt.



second place (worth $2,500), turn into 17th place (worth $460) when his bike's gas tank ran dry. Baldwin hadn't filled the tank to the top, and the bike had used more than the normal amount of fuel after the pipe broke. Baldwin's third-ever ride on a 750cc GP machine ended in heart-rendering disappointment.

Meanwhile, John Long (Moet Champagne TZ750D Yamaha) had moved past Nixon into fourth place by the end of the second lap, got bumped back into fifth when Romero passed, and ended up fourth again when Baldwin quit, in spite of a clutch that exploded four laps from finish.

Gary Scott and Kevin Stafford also passed Nixon, who had crashed his streamlined Erv Kanemoto Yamaha in practice on Friday and broke a connecting rod in Saturday's practice. Nixon finished seventh.

Scott had crashed on Friday, too, slamming into one of the concrete barriers surrounding the course, shattering the magnesium wheels on his George Murray/Mack Kambayashi/Evel Knievel Yamaha and badly bruising his left knee. With his good motor switched to a spare frame Friday night, Scott came back out to finish fifth, earning about enough to replace the destroyed parts and cover expenses ($1,300). "At least we got our motor combination worked out now," said Scott.

Kevin Stafford rode his Paul Dahmen/Don Vesco/Kon Tiki Cranks Yamaha to sixth after spending half the race dicing with David Emde. Emde somehow turned off the petcock on his Don Vesco Yamaha, pitted for a plug check, discovered the problem, and returned to the race a lap down. It was Stafford's fourth 750cc ride.

Mike Clarke and Robert Wakefield collided on the 28th lap. Clarke, still hurting from his 170 mile per hour Daytona crash, fell off after caroming off Wakefield's bike into the wall outside the first hairpin. Wakefield finished 13th.

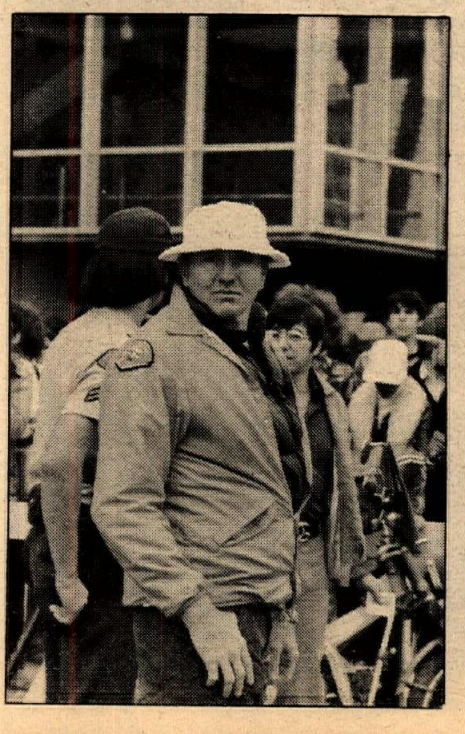
Wes Cooley's Yamaha went on three cylinders off the line when a throttle cable slipped out of its carb slide. Cooley finished 15th.

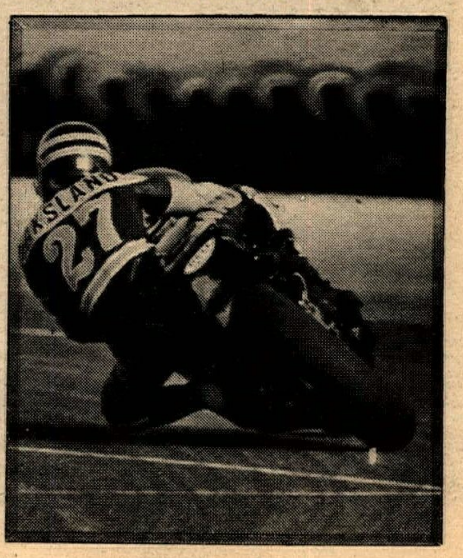
Ron Pierce retired after being unnerved by water pouring out of his Mr. Al's Yamaha. "I just couldn't get into it with that water leak," said Pierce after parking the bike following a few laps. "There are just too many fast places with hard concrete walls outside them to crash here."

Dick Fuller was disqualified for riding his Korb Trading Post TZ250 and finishing 20th. According to AMA officials, Fuller was given the benefit of the doubt because they decided not to initiate proceedings to revoke his professional license. But before Daytona, LBGP organizers called *Cycle News* for advice on a list of entrants to invite. They were told that Fuller only had a 250, and invited him anyway. For bringing out his 250, qualifying, racing 76 miles to 20th place (good for $400), Dick Fuller was awarded with an official last place and $150. We've listed him where he finished. ●

Results

1. Skip Aksland (Yam). 2. Gene Romero (Yam). 3. Barry Sheene (Suz). 4. John Long (Yam). 5. Gary Scott (Yam). 6. Kevin Stafford (Yam). 7. Gary Nixon (Yam). 8. Rob Murray (Yam). 9. Rudy Galindo (Yam). 10. Paul McLachlan (Yam). 11. David Emde (Yam). 12. Cory Ruppelt (Yam). 13. Robert Wakefield (Yam). 14. Roberto Pietri (Yam). 15. Wes Cooley, Jr. (Yam). 16. Hap Eaton (Yam). 17. Mike Baldwin (Yam). 18. Steve Mallonee (Yam). 19. Bruce Hammer (Yam). 20. Dick Fuller (Yam). 21. Mike Clarke (Yam). 22. Dale Singleton (Yam). 23. Ron Pierce (Yam). 24. Alan Barbic (Yam). 25. Phil McDonald (Yam). 26. Walt Foster (Yam).





(Left) This violent guard attacked Aksland shortly before the race. (Below) Once safely on the track and out of the hands of over zealous garage guards, Aksland flew to an 18.6-second lead.

(Above) Mickey Kessler (Mon 18) has the inside line and a wheel on Hannah (Yam 2), Semics (Kaw 5), Tony Summey (Yam 50), DiStefano, Gaylon Mosier, and the field. (Below) Jeff Jennings looks mighty clean for being back in 19th and 18th place.

PHOTOS BY CHARLES MOREY

AMA Supercross Series — Round five

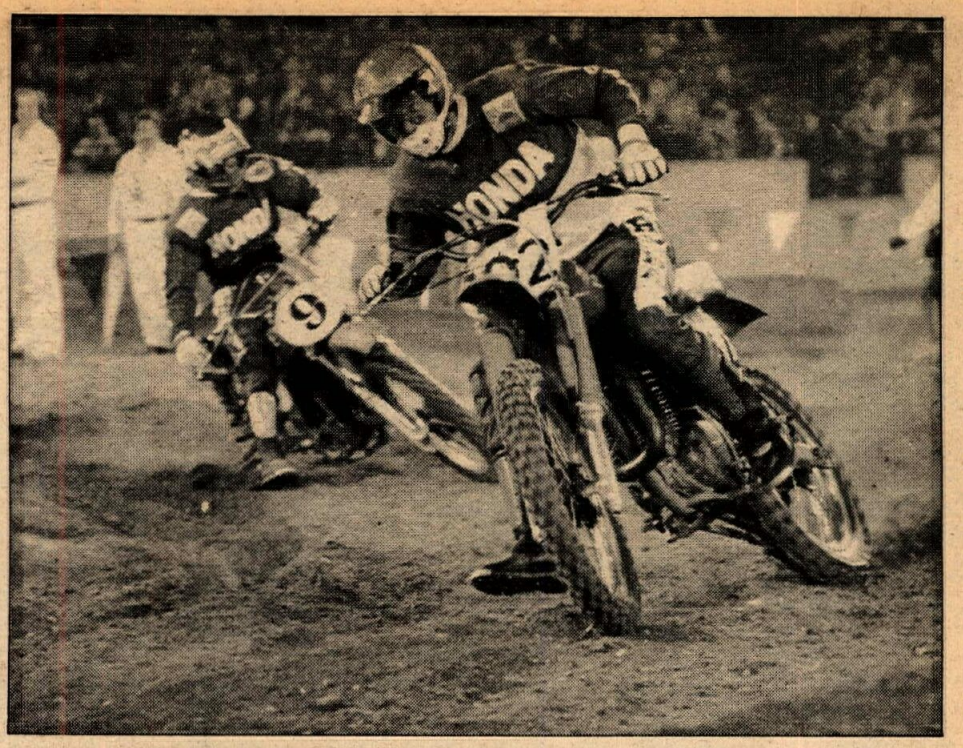
Hannah sweeps Silverdome then raffles off the winning machine!

By Charles Morey

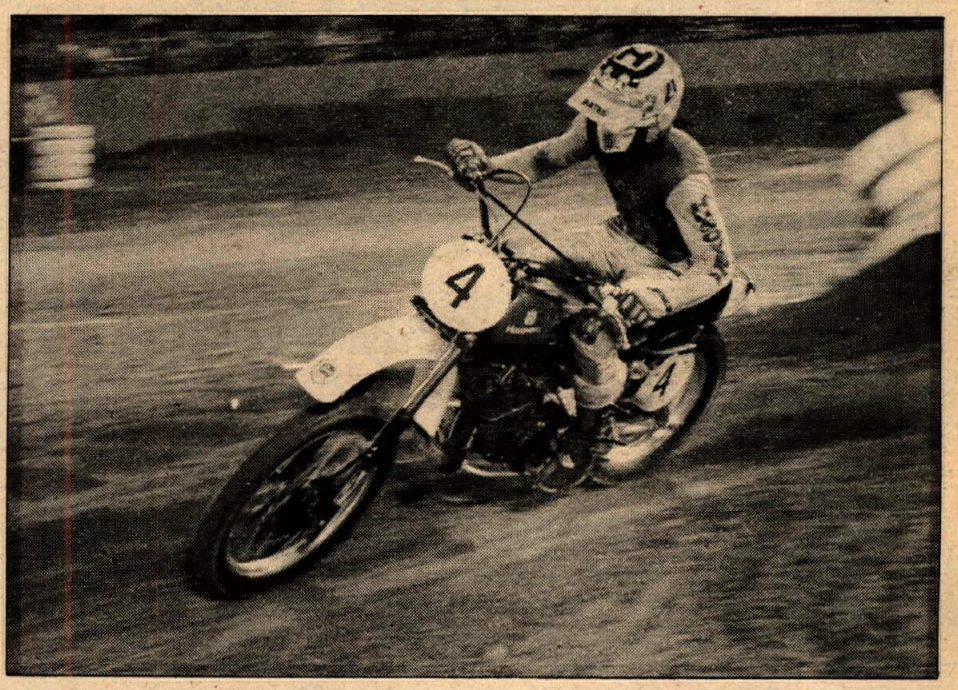
PONTIAC, MICH., APR. 2-3

"Everybody has their days . . . I guess these two were mine." Team Yamaha's familiar face in the winner's circle, Bob "Hurricane" Hannah understated the fact shortly after wrapping up his second win in the Motor City International Motocross at the Pontiac Silverdome. Despite the best efforts of 250cc National Champion Tony DiStefano and former Supercross Champion Jimmy Ellis, the 20 year-old from Whittier, California put his Keith McCarty-tuned production YZ250D on top of the Supercross heap once again.

"I'll tell you what, though," Hannah added, "Ellis is a fast ol' boy when he's having a good day."



(Above) Pomeroy (Hon 102) holds off Hannah (Yam 2) temporarily. Smith and DiStefano trail. (Below) Ellis gets away clean as Havoc breaks loose in the first turn. Hannah is already hot on the trail.



(Top) Smith (Hon 9) caught and passed Pomeroy on Sunday. (Above) Kent Howerton finished fourth Saturday, fifth Sunday. (Below) Steve Stackable rode to 13th Saturday, DNF'd Sunday.

"I just didn't go fast enough," Jimmy Ellis said, obviously far from satisfied with his weekend's work.

DiStefano, on the other hand had run into a couple of performance-hindering physical problems. Still uncomfortable from a chest injury incurred last week at Dallas — he was sick immediately following Saturday night's second place ride — DiStefano was hardly at his best. Earlier that evening he and Hannah had tangled during a heat race. DiStefano's foot had taken a beating in Hannah's rear wheel; the boot was destroyed and his heel badly bruised.

"I was a basket case! But I wanted to get Hannah," DiStefano said later, voicing the feelings of many riders.

Jim Pomeroy, second in the Supercross Series point standings, rounded out the top three on Saturday night, but could only managed a 12th on Sunday.

"It was just one of those things," Honda's Team manager Terry Milligan said, making no excuses.

"I'm still second in the standings," Pomeroy added, "the third place man (Steve Stackable) was about 35 points down."

Unofficially, Hannah's series points total reached 156; Pomeroy maintained second with 132; Ellis moved into third with 103 points; Mosier (previously fifth) moved into a tie for fourth with DiStefano (previously ninth) at 87 points.

Saturday night in the balloon

Pontiac's flexible-ceilinged stadium, pressurized at four psi, caused a minor stir among tuners that ranged from Honda mechanic Merle Anderson's "We used the same jetting as at the Astrodome," to seizure problems with both factory Husqvarnas on Saturday night. Most jetted a bit rich and ran with no problem.

Following the four qualifiers won by Bob Hannah, Jeff Jennings, Kent Howerton and Jimmy Ellis; the two semis topped by Tony DiStefano and Don Kudalski; and the consolation that went to Gary Semics, the final moto got underway.

It was Jim Pomeroy's Honda leading the way on the opening lap, but only an instant behind was an elbow nudging trio of Bob Hannah, Marty Smith and Tony D. Kent Howerton, Gaylon Mosier and Mickey Kessler filled the next three slots, also in the hunt. Supercross Champ Jimmy Weinert had gotten off in 14th. Jimmy Ellis had misjudged the gate, hit it early, and was riding two places back in 16th.

Hannah wasted no time, squeezing around Pomeroy on the third time around much to the delight of the spectators. At almost the same time, Jimmy Weinert hit the haybales. He laid the blame on Kenny Zahrt.

"He'd been taking the inside line on that turn, lap after lap, so I went around the outside. He saw me, and moved out," the original jammer reported. Zahrt was also credited with Weinert's Kawasaki teammate Gary Semics' crash in the semi. Zahrt seemed surprised at the accusation.

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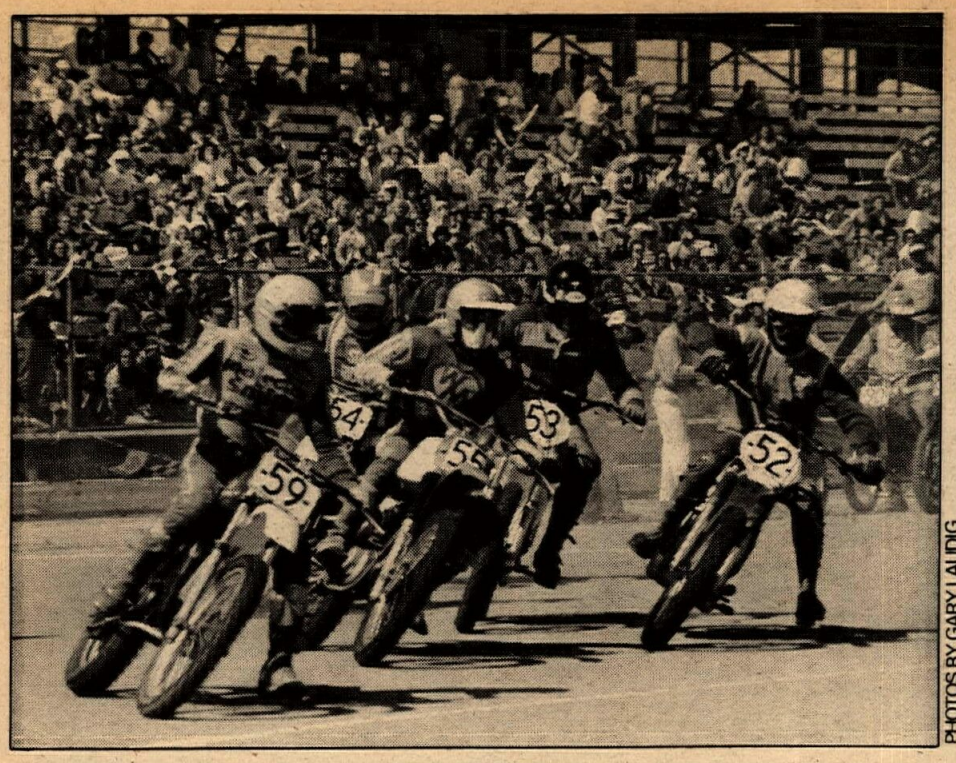
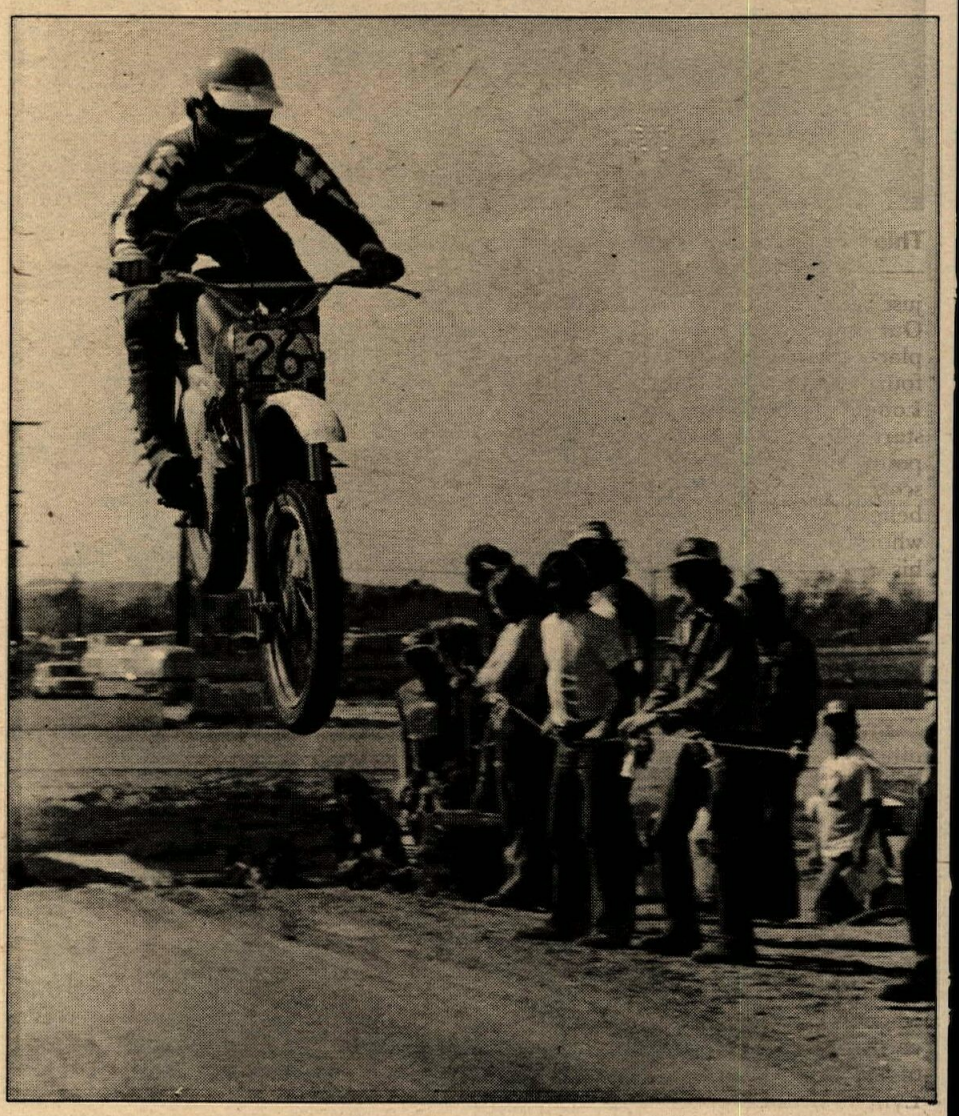


PHOTOS BY GARY LAUDIG

(Left) Larry Roeseler (59) leads Chuck Pettigrew (55), Jim Payton, Jr (54), Dennis Briggs (53) and John Huegel (52) on the Sunday afternoon start. (Above) Open/250 Novice winner Eric Burney gets by Gary Petty. (Below) Tom Brooks still flies high.



OCMC Great Bear GP

Tom Brooks breaks the Fishback streak

By Gary Laudig

RIVERSIDE, CA, APR. 2-3

The mystique of the Big Bear Run of yesteryear steeped in tradition and heritage still exists, protrayed and preserved in the tradition and discipline of the Orange County M.C. members today. Two things you can count on at Great Bear. One, the finest Desert, Motocross and Scrambles riders around will be participating and, two it's one of the finest races of its kind.

Saturday morning, the sleep hardly rubbed from the racer's eyes, the 100s, 125s, 175s, Novices, Amateurs, Experts, women and seniors lined up on the starting grid. The signal to start engines is given and 459 motorcycles roar to life as each rider anticipates 100 miles of "true grit" grand prix racing. Leading the first wave into the left hander at the end of the long straightaway from the start turn was Mark Cook with his headlight on high beam, followed by Mitch Payton and Jeff Kaplan. Andy Kirker, Larry Roeseler, and Hall led the second wave. The present leader and past winner of this 175 Expert class (in '75) was Jim Fishback, who overtook Cook in the motocross part of the course at Section B. Payton held onto second as Sandy Robertson of Palmdale moved into third. Motocrosser Alec Petterson came from the second wave to settle in fourth. Jeff Kaplan was fifth, Rocket Roeseler, from the third contingency, sixth, George Luther seventh and Ron Haase eighth.

Moving out of the tight, off camber B Section, the course somewhat paralleled Highway 60, hooking a right hander into the first water hole through the fenced in section, then on to the ridgerunning C portion of the course with OCMC's version of the King Kong Jump. Steve Kocinski of So Cal was the first drop out as his Suzuki seized leaving one frustrated rider who really loves Great Bear. Clearing the underpass and shooting down the long straight to D Section full of surprises, Roeseler and Kaplan were dicing back and forth.

Shooting through the hay bale scoring section and past the pits starting loop two, Payton took the lead away from Fishback as Robertson held on to third spot, not giving any ground to fourth-place Roeseler, who had his hands full with old desert rival Kirker. Haase had his hands full fending off the Holliday Honda kid, Butch Darling. One of the eye catchers of the day was this dude from Capistrano Valley MC with a cape about the size of Batman's, in his clubs colors flying by in grand style. If that cape gets caught in his rear sprocket he'll do everything but fly. Over by turn six, Tom Rutten stood by the fence with his Husky expansion chamber in his hand a perplexed look on his face. Jim Brown had Danny Sanchez about 40 yards behind him. Ellen Carroll approached the second waterhole with part of the mud from the first one stuck on the right side of her bod and bike. Tom Rutten got going again, Captain Capistrano (Mitch Van Dye) bailed out when a flat tire, not his cape, did him in.

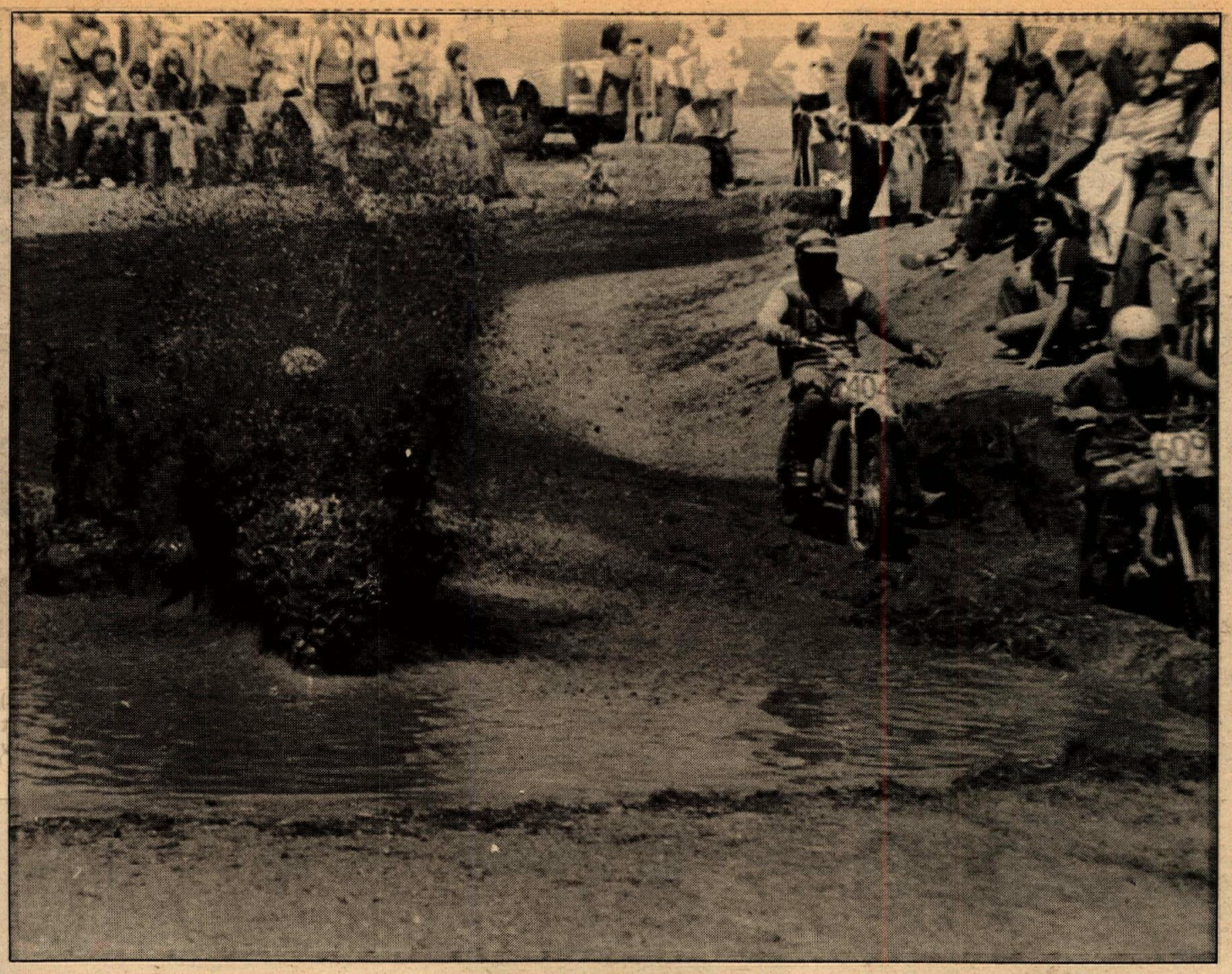
On lap three, Fishback pitted and Roeseler took the lead. The next lap, Roeseler ran out of gas and Payton settled for second behind Fishback. Bob Quibodeaux worked his way up to fifth only to fade away by lap five. Rodney Brand of Holliday Honda moved up from a fourth row start to sixth place, ahead of Darling.

Sue Fish is Wonder Woman's daughter. Really! that girl is some kind of aggressive rider. There are going to be several red faces when the results sheets arrive in the mail. She does have courtesy as she waved Hi to Marc Cartwright as she went by. She didn't wave at Tom Grant though. Ken Krause moved into the spotlight on lap six to take fourth place but by lap seven he was back at sixth, ahead of Dennis Vetter. By lap eight, Brand held fourth and Bob Rutten skillfully seized ninth.

Taking the white flag, the racers dug into their remaining adrenalin supply and headed out on the last lap. Completing the last lap in just about the same time as the first, Fishback chalked up another Great Bear victory. Second 175 Expert went to Ron Haase, Andy Kirker third.

Brand bagged first 125 Expert, Bob Rutten second, Butch Darling third. Krause was first 125 Junior, Dennis Vetter second. First 100 Expert was Doug Martin, a die hard Hodaka rider followed by Charlie Hamill and Chuck Cartledge. Sue Fish ran away with first in the 125 Women's Division Expert; Johanna Stenerson took second. First in the Women's 250 class went to Dawn Grant, then Lorie Watson, then Lori Matassa and Louise Bates.

The second race got underway right on schedule. This one comprised every class you can think of, causing the scoring computer to almost have a nervous breakdown. This one covered every race, shape and rider classification. Taking the early lead, Carl Brown on an Open Yamaha was followed by Rick Smith, also in the Open class. Duke Arrington, Danny Musa and Pat Flanagan rounded out the top five. Gassing it through the moto Section B Dan Planck was being pushed by Jay East charging from a ninth row start up to seventh by the 12-foot dropoff section. Dave Willis, Alan Fletcher, Pete Pena and Tony Pierce all held as the racers neared the last section of the first loop. Steve Greuel got passed by Craig Campbell



This rider gets the "Kasploosh of the Decade" award. OCMC located their waterhole over an abandoned mine.

just before scoring row at home check. Out on lap two, East moved into first place and Arrington slipped back to fourth while Mike Barrett out of Lomita stormed up from a ninth row start into sixth overall by the halfway point of loop two. By lap three the scorers and alert spectators couldn't believe what they saw. Eric Watral, who started in the 16th row, slashed his way into fourth place by the end of lap three. Lap four uncovered a family conspiracy. Mike Barrett had taken sixth place on lap three. The next lap saw another Barrett, Glenn move into eighth place. He's from Lomita too.

By lap six, John Matthews decided ninth spot wasn't his piece of cake and moved up to second behind the new leader Watral. The only other change in the top 15 was Dick Yates, dropping back to eighth and Brown slipping from second to seventh due to a slight get off. The water hole this year wasn't much of a problem as a small ledge on the left hand side provided a water free penetration. The fun started when a whole group came around the corner and not all of them could cling to the ledge. Looked like a Merrill Lynch commercial. Through lap seven, Brown worked his way back to fourth but, Matthews and Watral weren't letting him by for any further progress. The Barretts had Willis and Smith sandwiched between them as the racers continued around the fast drying course. The dust provided some anxious moments but by the time this one was over, there were plenty of prospective desert racers.

As the racers picked up the white flag starting the last loop another fast mover appeared on the scoring sheet. Jack Hill riding a heady race, not pushing himself beyond his limits worked up from the 14th starting position sliding into sixth by the eighth lap. Another rider colorful in style and name combined, Spike Duncan, took possession of tenth place as a lot of the riders put on a final push for position as flashbacks of last year's trophies danced in their heads. Eleventh, 12th and lucky 13th spots were captured by three shoes named Gregg Bedford, coming from start position 298, Jeri Marquis from position 286, and Joser Jacobson coming from 108. Here to watch the exciting finale, enjoying every minute of the race were Arden and Fran Harris. Fran, a Congresswoman of AMA District 36 road riding division, who has ridden road for many years, is going to suggest to the rest of the "roadies" they at least come and watch some "do it in the dirt" events as they think it's great. Flashing to the finish, Eric Watral doing the whole thing on a 250 Yamaha, followed by John Matthews, who also took the Open honors. Jack Hill took third overall. Jerry Marquis and Gregg Bedord took second and third 250, Paul Valente fourth. First 125 was George Guiles. The rest of the top 20 overall were Mike Barrett, Rick Smith, Tony Pierce, Spike Duncan, Ray McNeill, Danny Musa, Erwin Rittner, Bob Carvakal, Joser Jacobson, and Scott Sheldon.

The 9:05 Sunday morning race started with relatively few bump starts, one slide out, Gary Campbell of the Desert Rats doing a bitchin wheelie all the way down the starting grid and the "Lostest" Coyote, Sam Ciafardone, starting on the far right side of the line, slid through the first turn like a speedway star for second place. Halfway around, number 48 on a Husky, Eric Burney sure made it look easy as he stretched out an almost one mile lead over the next bike, Wayne Lumbatts coming from row three himself. Dave Willis, Ken "Fonz" Winkler and Gary Sigman rounded out the top five. Cookin' it down the long straight towards the Champion bridge,

First and second belonged to Burney and Sigman as Willis stayed at third. Dixon moved from seventh to fourth while Dean Kirk moved into fifth from a row 12 start, down three minutes from the first row. L. H. Hoffman gassed it a bit as his lap time moved him into sixth from 11th overall.

The Beginners went at it hot and heavy as the lead changed five times between Mike Baker and Daub Bradley, Baker on a 250 and Bradley on an Open Yamaha. Steve Johnson ran second 250, Dave Wentz third. Second Open was Chuck Sickler. Lap five and six saw Kirk work up to second while Sigman traded places with Willis for third. Brad Nivens jockied around between seventh and eighth. Lap nine finally arrived and the weary riders coasted to a stop to receive their well earned finishing pins. The winner overall from start to finish was Husky man Eric Burney. Dean Kirk took second overall, first 250. Scot Duncan got second Open, third overall, Mike Dixon third Open, fourth overall. Fifth overall, Steve Harper followed by Ken Winkler and Dave Willis. First and second Open Beginners were Daub Bradley and Chuck Sickler. One two and three in the 250 class Beginners were Mike Baker, Steve Johnson and Dave Wentz.

The one o'clock "Biggie" was the race everyone anxiously awaited. Everyone who was into it knew Rocket Rex Staten picked up a late entry. They all knew "Crazy" Dave Aldana was back at the 340 position, Lars Larsson and John Fero of Six Days fame, Tom Brooks, Jim Fishback and Larry Roeseler. Bob Balentine and John Fero led the racers around the turn onto the paved straightaway. Tom Brooks swung wide right with the rear of his CSC KTM hung out like a speedway bike, took the lead from Balentine at the straightaway turn. Catching the Honda sidehack off the start was a breath taking experience as Jimmy Stevens and Bob Sanner shot down the start grid, made a square turn and took off for the straight. Halfway around the course Brooks picked off the first row of starters over in the tight moto-stuff. Who said desert racers can't turn?

A good 40 seconds elapsed before second-place Balentine shot by going like his throttle was stuck wide open. The reigning champ, Jim Fishback was next followed by Larry Roeseler, A.C. Bakken, Henry Wesselman, Glen Ewing, Jr., Craig Adams and Maico man Chuck Pettigrew.

Lap two: Brooks cleared the "King Kong" drop off followed by Roeseler, who drew gasps and shouts from the crowd as he sky shot the whole three sequences of jumps. Adams moved up from eighth to fourth on his KTM ahead of Bakken. Bob Rutten, riding for the first time on a Hemet cycle Center KTM moved up from 15th to seventh, right behind Pettigrew. Fishback dropped back to eighth, followed by Mark Barnes, Wessesman, Ewing, Al Baker and Goat Breker. Lap three showed few changes with the exception of Rutten and Barnes moving up to sixth and seventh as Pettigrew pitted. Rocket Rex pleased the pit crowd pulling wheelies and flashing peace signs, going blurry fast in the process.

Al Baker, riding his black KTM stated before the race, "An all around rider is going to win this one" and decided to live up to his predictions as he methodically picked his way through the racers; starting from the fifth row, moving into tenth spot by lap four. At the King Kong drop off, John Huegel out shined all the shoes as he launched his TT500 over the lip landing perfectly at the bottom never touching any of the down slope. Jack Froelich looked over his shoulder just past the scoring turn and saw Al Baker. This stoked him enough to sky shoot both jumps. The next lap he cooled it.

The sidehacks went at it as if this was a European GP. The Norton-powered Whitney and Jones combo had the lead by lap five, followed by Paul and Perry Melillo on a Honda. Loren Immken and Mike Nelson aboard a two stroke hack ran third while the Phoenix, Arizona gang of Bob Neil and Bob Brezzlre held fourth.

Rocket Rex moved up to eighth position at lap six ahead of Bakken and Fishback in that order. By lap seven, some really smokin shoes came into the picture. Bruce Ogilvie, starting number 371, moved into tenth. Eddie Gonzales, starting at 334 took over 12th, and desert ace Cordis Brooks, starting from 342 position took possession of 14th. By lap eight, Baker moved the black "Bat Cycle" into third, ahead of Wesselman, Ogilvie, Bakken, Gonzales and David Aldana.

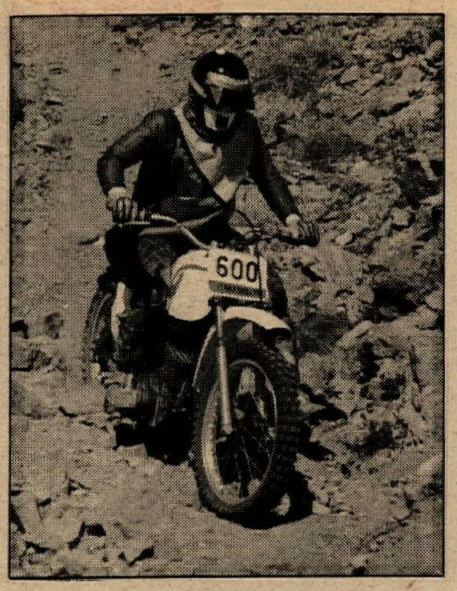
The hacks really drew the oohs and aahs from the scoring booth as they jumped the double jumps in front of the grandstand higher than most two wheelers.

Taking the white flag, Brooks gassed his KTM for one more round. Having lost his silencer after lap seven, the bike didn't run quite as well but he still averaged 17 minute lap times. Roeseler seized his bike in the moto section and lost too much valuable time to try any catch up tactics. Also heading out on lap nine was the silent but speedy Bob Rutten moving into second place when Adams failed to show. Sailing over the cement jump like a sky rocket, Brooks tore home for the well deserved win. Rutten was second, Pettigrew pushed his Maico that was out of gas across the finish for third. Baker took fourth, Ogilvie fifth, Gonzales sixth, Aldana seventh and Wesselman eighth. Fishback's win streak was finally broken but he need not be ashamed as he lost it to one of the really great off road riders of our time.

Many thanks to Rescue 3 and the Anaheim, Fullerton and Orange County Amateur radio clubs who provided 35 radio units around the course for scoring and race protection.

Desert Hotline

James Bell, Wayne Langner, Ray Guilbean and another rider wind down a rocky trail.



(Above) Dave Conner won the Novice class overall. (Below) Tom Grant (10c) leads this group as Gene Rowden (20) squeezes his way through a bottleneck.

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AMA D-37:

Tom Brooks wins Cactus Cats benefit Hare Scrambles

By Gary Laudig

LUCERNE VALLEY, CA, MAR. 27

Tom Brooks won the Cactus Cats M.C. Benefit Hare Scrambles for Rescue Three and Mitch Mayes, taking his fourth AMA D-37 Overall win of the year. And in a brilliant show of determination, Max Eddy rode up from five minutes behind last place at the start to 49th at the pits to 19th Overall at the finish.

With the throttle to the stops and a 20-second cushion over second place, Bruce Ogilvie flew through a tank slapper wash off the start with his Harley sounding and looking better than it ever had before. But second into the first left hand turn was Tom Brooks (KTM). Moments later Bob Rutten (Hus) made the turn with about a bike-length lead over Brent Wallingsford (Hus). Ron Bebo (Yam) was fifth, Ed Zarp (Yam) sixth, and Garry Conner (on one of the three new Maicos in the desert) seventh. Eighth and first Heavyweight Amateur was Don Wallingsford (Yam), chased by Chuck Pettegrew (on a new Maico) and Marc Cartwright (KTM). The racers cleared the horrendous sand wash, and the helmet-filtered profanity diminished somewhat as the course smoothed out and headed for the power line road crossing and the Cooper Strand mining area.

Jeff Thorpe's lip caused the delay in the Beginner-Novice start. Joe Penoncello led the green-and-white-stripers all the way through the wash and beyond. Following close behind were fast guys Dave Conner, and Rick Hickman of the Prospectors on his brand new KTM. Big guy Chuck Fowler blasted by Second Heavy with Sam Soule, Art Grajeda, Jim Morrison and Greg Pagan pursuing. Larry Mulch and Jan Morrison rounded out the top 10. Randy Hallman was first Beginner and first 250, Gregg Perkins rode the first "C" bike and Ray Guilbeau first Trail. Kelly Wiseman was first girl, and of course "Cut-across Shorty" of the Lost Coyotes followed, riding his patented "conservative" race.

By this time the Amateur/Experts had cleared the tight, windy sand wash at Cooper Strand. Brooks had taken the lead after Ogilvie got off, (witnessed by Ed Zarp, who dropped out with a leaky head gasket). Rutten took over second, Bill Saltzman moved up from 12th to fourth. Chuck Pettegrew, using his moto skills, passed several guys in tight stuff to assume fifth. Charley Barney, coming from 20-something fitted in at sixth. Moving up from 19th at the bomb, Ron Irby hustled his Husky into seventh place and first Amateur. Steve Cosner, on a new 390 Husky in his first race in a long time moved from 23rd to 14th about halfway around the loop. First Senior, Dick Camp, dropped back from 13th to 21st. Lisa Christianson was holding on to first girl, first Amateur at the same time.

Dave Conner took over first place Novice while Joe Penoncello held second. Chuck Fowler moved up to third as fast moving Steve Nickolson, coming from 15th, settled in at fourth. Hickman dropped back to fifth as Gregg Pagan dusted a few, moving from eighth to fifth overall and third 250. The rest of the positions stayed about the same as the young racers headed across upper Johnson Valley towards Check Two.

Brooks kept the Competition Service Cycle KTM moving at its usual fast pace as the Amateur/Expert racers cleared the 40 foot vertical embankment heading into the ridge-running territory at Iron Ridge. Tank cards were marked near the familiar old hollowed-out van. It was Brian Wright 14th, Bob Doig, John Prater (first 250 Amateur), Mitch Payton first Expert "C" bike), Ron "Got Off" Bebo, John Tobin, Don Brand, Jr., Charlie Hamill, Gary Willins and Tom Grant at 23rd.

The Beginner/Novice racers started into a small sand wash out of mountains. The wash progressively got bigger and bigger 'til it was a freeway veering off into the Iron Ridge foothills, which nicely hid the sandy whoops that checked out all three suspension systems — forks, shocks and legs. Surviving about five miles of this, Conner and the gang arrived at Check Two.

By this time, the Amateur/Expert crowd had crossed the upper Johnson Valley cross-grain chop and cleared Victor Pass, intercepted the old air strip, (Johnson Valley Freeway), shot across Soggy bomb area at about a 45-degree angle and picked up a well-used sand wash at the base of the Fry Mountains. This didn't sit too well in the arm and leg departments. The wash had about a mile-and-a-half of some periodic bike-swallowing whoops. Finally, the wash vectored right, picked up a nice, smooth, windy trail that occasionally jumped out into the desert, then cut back into the wash. Coming out for the last time, Brooks could see the pits and poured on the coal to his bike. Rutten came through the pits about 20 seconds behind Brooks, still first 250. Bruce Ogilvie had remounted his Harley and worked back into third at the pits. After about the first five or six bikes the riders were really strung out.

The Novices started into the pits with the positions about the same. It was Conner, Fowler, Nickolson, Hickman, Pagan, Grajeda, Ahuero, and Langer. Sam Soule had dropped back to 13th due to a slight crash. Perkins was still first "C" bike, Kelly Wiseman still first lady.

The Trail Novices and Beginners pulled off to the left for a well-deserved finish. Eric Hanson, having trouble pinpointing the finish, finally came to a halt with the help of first Trail Novice by Ray Guilbeau. Hanson bagged first Overall, first Beginner and first Heavyweight. Warren Holmberg took third Overall, first 250; Dan Drew second Heavy. Paul Krause cruised in at fifth Overall, second Trail Novice, with Jeff Coen third. Dan Smith was fourth Trail Novice, doing the whole loop on a flat rear tire. Jim LaRoy, riding his first-ever desert race, got fifth 250, 13th Overall on some badly-faded shocks. Bill Burnam bagged first "C" bike. The Beginner class (or desert "Farm Team,") is really growing.

Riding the second loop became a problem when the wind began making a nuisance of itself. As Brooks started for Victor Pass Ogilvie started closing the gap on Rutten. Rutten was trying to keep the Harley ahead at a distance, but as he shot through Victor Pass his bike's chain went first overall into the bushes as the machine's swingarm broke in two. Ogilvie roared by, and Rutten saw his class win and a great ride slip away.

The finish had few surprises as Tom Brooks collected his fourth Overall win this year. Bruce Ogilvie rode a great race, finishing second Overall, first 250. Chuck Pettegrew, on his new Wheelsmith Maico, needed a new pair of gloves — both thumbs were sticking out and covered with blood. Charley Barney came in fourth, second in class. Bill Saltzman finished fifth powered by two foxy ladies and a guy. Ron "Amateur" Irby finished sixth Overall, making up about 16 hard slots throughout the race. Third 250 Expert, seventh Overall was Ken Miller. We've never seen Miller as aggressive in riding as he was in this race. Second Amateur, second Heavy was Don Wallingsford, with John Prater ninth Overall, first 250 Amateur.

Art Knapp bagged first Senior Open Expert; Richard Burley in for second. Mitch Payton never has a chance to cruise. Jim Brown out with a flat. Rick Schumaker, on his brand new KTM, looked like he hit a land mine, so Jody Belknap took up the slack and finished right behind Payton at 17th Overall, second "C" Expert, Tom Grant third. Don Brand, Jr. finished second Amateur 250, and had to work for it. Brand fell down in some rocks in Tank Slapper Canyon, knocking his bike's gas line off. Meanwhile, sneaky critter Dennis Rosenburg slipped by and held it 'til about 50 yards from the finish. (Third ain't so bad, Dennis.)

The Novices started into the finish. Dave Conner rode a spectacular race, never challenged for the lead, taking first Overall, first Heavy. Steve Nickolson passed Fowler for second. Joe Penoncello didn't show up. That left first 250 open to Gregg Pagan. Tom Holmes took second, Rick Hickman third. Gregg Perkins kept first "C" bike, Roger Watson second.

Despite the wind the racers loved the course. Ogilvie said it was rugged, but naturally rugged, which makes a difference. Charley Barney had a great time even though his handlebars had a tendency to flop down past the tank once in a while in the rough stuff. The marking was very good — no one complained — so it's thumbs up to the Cactus Cats.

The determination trophy of the week goes to "Maico" Max Eddy. Five minutes after the last rider disappeared into the mountains, Max came flying through the smoke bomb wash. He pitted at 49th and finished an incredible 19th Overall.

The Desert Devotion Trophy goes to Bill Putman and James Ramsey riding 360 Huskies. They traveled all the way from Grand Junction, Colorado "Just to race." Miss Josie Kapko down from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada attended her first desert race as a spectator, thinks it's great, and even wants to move out here.

Jot this down in your racing calendar note book. The "Bull Run" guys from Maywood M.C. are throwing a Grand Prix in December. All the proceeds (less expenses) are going to the U.S. Marine Corps for their Toys for Tots campaign. Let's show the kids desert racers care too!

Regardless of what you read in the newspaper, keep the telegrams and letters going to Washington. The environmentalists are trying to convince us this whole thing was some kind of public opinion survey which is a crock. By saying this they hope to stop the telegrams and letters. Don't believe it. They damn near pulled a Pearl Harbor on us, so keep the mail flowing until otherwise advised by AMA or *Cycle News*. ●

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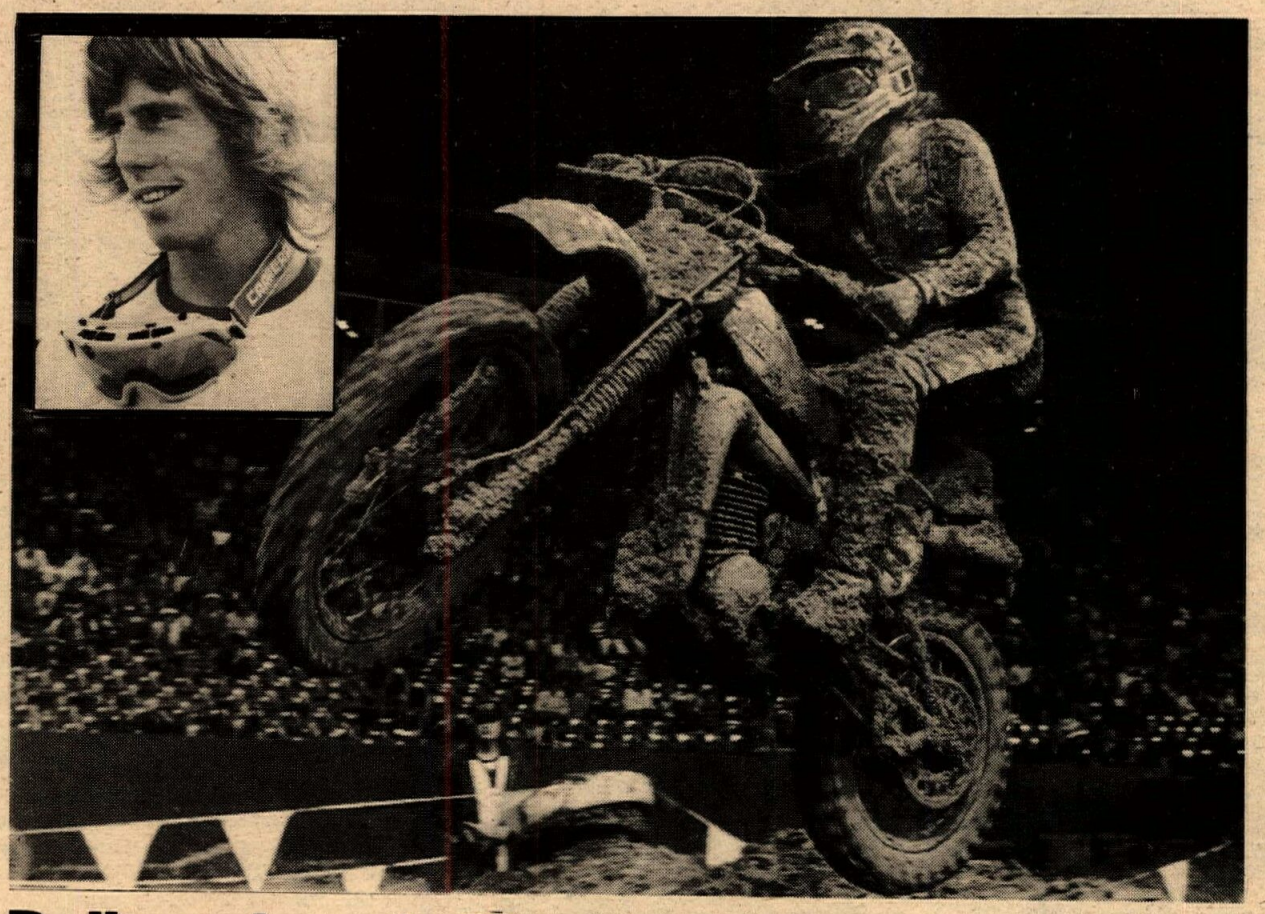

Dallas win puts Hannah in Supercross lead

Hurricane Hannah swept to victory in Saturday's half of the Dallas Supercross, putting him 3 points ahead of Jim Pomeroy, who finished second.

The muddy track and tough conditions--and rain, which forced cancellation of Sunday's race--were a severe test of rider and equipment. Hannah's stood up to victory-including his Carrera goggles.

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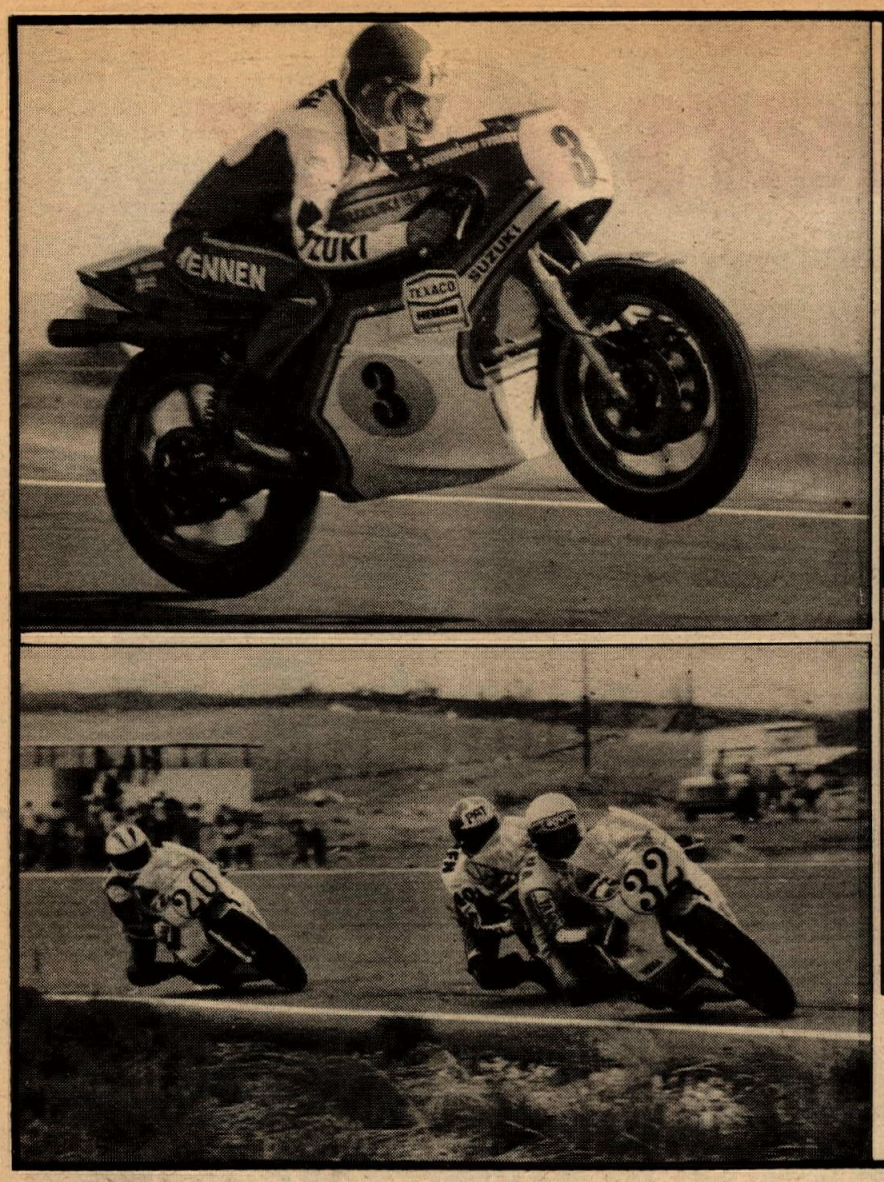

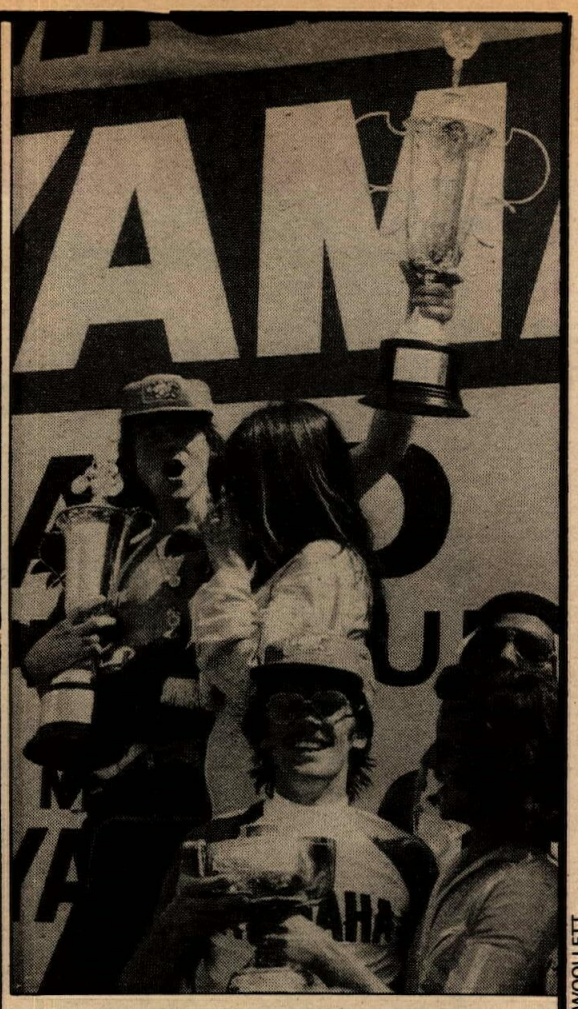

(Top, Left) Pat Hennen wheelies his way to third. (Above) Sheene shouts in victory as Baker grins, ear to ear. (Below, Left) Sheene passed Cecotto (20), Hennen and Baker (32) for the 500cc GP win.

PHOTOS BY MICK WOOLLETT

World Championship Road Race GP

Sheene wins in Venezuela; Baker and Hennen second, third.

By Mick Woollett

SAN CARLOS, VENEZUELA, MAR. 20

"Viva Suzuki! Viva Venezuela!" shouted a delighted Barry Sheene from the sun-drenched rostrum of the San Carlos circuit, obviously ecstatic over his 500cc class win.

The reigning 500cc World Champion had good reason to be pleased for he just won the first round in his defense of the title, and it was a race that few in Venezuela expected him to win.

During practice, when temperatures soared close to 100 degrees in the shade and up to 130 degrees in the searing sunshine, Sheene and his Texaco Heron Suzuki teammates, Pat Hennen and Steve Parrish, had been outpaced by Johnny Cecotto and Steve Baker on the new super-streamlined works Yamahas.

Only a great effort in the dying moments of the final practice session, when temperatures had dropped, did Sheene put in his best lap. It was still almost a full second slower than local hero Cecotto who had clocked 1 min. 36.1 sec. but it equalled Baker's best and put Barry on the front row between the two scarlet and white Yamahas.

At the start of the race British hearts sank as Sheene, who had hit his left knee on the ground while scratching for a fast lap, had difficulty starting his Suzuki.

Twice the rear wheel locked, and when it did finally fire Sheene was way down with the tail enders.

"I said to myself don't panic--I'd been taking it easy during practicing. Remember it was my first race while both Johnny and Steve had both done Daytona.

"It took me a while to get the bike sorted out, and to get into the wing of things--I didn't want to try to go too quickly soon and fall off.

"The same applied in the race. I thought to myself 'It's thirty laps--a long way in heat like that--and anything can happen!

"After a couple of laps I could see Pat Hennen up front dicing with Johnny and Steve. I pegged them back and when I caught them we had a great dice.

" Steve took the lead and started to pull away and I went with him.

"We dropped the other two and there I was, sitting behind Steve, waiting for him to tire or make a mistake.

"His Yamaha was very good, especially on the fast curves, but I was gaining at the hairpins.

"Then I got my chance.

"About half way through the race Steve got into a slide on one corner--then he locked his wheels going into the hairpin, and got into all sorts of trouble.

"I nipped through to take the lead. After that I went as fast as I could until I'd opened up a five second lead," said Sheene as he stood under the shower after the race.

Behind the two leaders Hennen and Cecotto fought a near identical duel which the Suzuki rider won by 3.9 seconds to claim a fine third place.

Early in the race, Tepi Lansivuori had been with the leaders but he retired with ignition trouble and it was Swiss Phillipe Coulon who claimed fifth place after a long dice with Italy's Virginio Ferrari and Marco Lucchinelli.

A lap astern, Frenchman Christian Estrosi beat Steve Parrish for eighth place.

The day had started well for the 15,000 spectators when Johnny Cecotto on his first step towards regaining his 350cc World Championship by easily winning the class.

Fastest in training with a lap at 1 min. 39 sec., a clear second ahead of Victor Palomo and his elder Brother Jose, Cecotto started as firm favourite.

Reigning world champion Walter Villa, way back in the second row, having clocked the sixth fastest lap with Finland's Pentti Korhonen fourth and Kork Ballington fifth.

Cecotto took the lead on the first lap and won as he pleased. Behind him Palomo and Frenchman Patrick Fernandez battled for a second place with the Spaniard pulling away on the closing stages.

Jose Cecotto diced with Harley Davidson's new boy Franco Uncini when his gear pedal broke-- a fault that eliminated his teammate, Villa.

These misfortunes elevated Tom Herron ahead of Alan North.

Ballington left the race in spectacular fashion--sliding off on the second lap and ending up in a foot of warm muddy water in a trackside culvert.

Korhonen's Yamaha seized while Chas Mortimer, still recovering from his Daytona crash had fallen in practice and did only a token two laps before pulling in.

The 125cc race started and ended sensationally.

Spaniard Angel Nieto had been fastest in practice but he made a poor start.

West German Anton Mang took the lead chased by World Champion Pier Paolo Bianchi. Bianchi soon took over but with a tremendous display of riding Nieto passed the pair of them on one corner on the third lap.

Bianchi lost ground and retired at the halfway stage with clutch trouble.

The race settled down into procession by came to life five laps from the end when Nieto screamed into the pits.

Oil leaking from the gearbox had smothered his feet and rear wheel. His crew wiped the bike down and sent hin out again--now in fourth place with Mang leading from Marco Massinani and the fifteen-old Venezuelan Ivan Palazese riding with his left hand still weak after a car crash injury.

__the crowd loved every minute as Nieto picked his rivals off one by one. First Palazese, then Massinani, who slid off just as Nieto passed him and finally Mang as they started the final lap.

Although outpaced in the 350cc class when their handling on the very bumpy 2.57 mile San Carlos circuit let them down, the Harley Davidsons of Villa and Uncini ruled supreme in the 250cc race.

In practice Uncini was fastest at 1 min. 40.8 sec. with Villa half a second slower ahead of Fernendez and Paolo Pileri on the works Mobidelli.

And it was Pileri who shot ahead from the start, stretching a 50 yard lead in the first half lap.

The Harleys were soon after him and on lap four Villa took over. A lap later Uncini joined him up front and it looked like a Harley one-two until a rear wheel puncture put Uncini out.

Villa kept going to win with Fernandez, the young Frenchman from San Tropez, a fine second ahead of the hard riding Palomo.

Korhonen took fourth place ahead of Ballington and Herron.

The day ended with Sheene's sensational win in the 500cc race. The win puts all those winter arguments into perspective for this was the win of a true master.

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125cc: 1. A Nieto (Bul); 2. A. Mang (Mor); 3. I. Palazese (Mor) 4. J. Britelli (Mor); 5. J. Zeebroeck (Mor); 6. G. Perez (Yam); 7. R. Olavarria (Yam).

250cc: 1. W. Villa (H-D); 2. P. Fernandez (Yam); 3. V. Palomo (Yam); 4. P. Korhonen (Yam); 5. K. Ballington (Yam); 6. T. Herron (yam); 7. A Nanini (Yam); 8. O. Chevallier (Yam); 9. M. Lega (Yam); 10. M. Corradini (Yam).

350cc: 1. J. Cecotto (Yam); 2. V. Palomo (Yam); 3. P. Fernandez (Yam); 4. P. Korhonen (yam); 5. T. Herron (Yam); 6. A North (Yam); 7. P. Mezerhane (Yam); 8. C. Bellon (Yam); 9. E. Aleman (Yam); 10. R. Tausani (Yam).

500cc: 1. B. Sheene (Suz); 2. S. Baker (Yam); 3. P. Hennen (Suz); 4. J. Cecotto (Yam); 5. P. Coulon (Suz); 6. V. Ferrari (Suz); 7. M. Lucchinelli (Suz); 8. C. Estrosi (Suz); 9. S. Parrish (Suz); 10. A. North Suz).

Carter ORV announcement expected April 7

LONG BEACH, CA, APR. 4

President Carter may announce action on the Council on Environmental Quality's proposed ban on ORV use of federal lands on April 7, according to informed sources. By announcing the proposal on the day Congress recesses for Easter, Carter will be able to avoid immediate reaction from Congress. Opposition to the secretive proposed amendments to Executive Order 11644 has already surfaced in both House and the Senate.

The proposed ban on ORV use of federal lands originally was to be part of Carter's planned Environmental Message to Congress. But since White House Energy Advisor James Schlesinger has pointed out to Carter that parts of the proposed Environmental message conflict with Schlesinger's energy plans for the nation Carter is expected to delay the announcement of his Environmental plans — except for the proposals dealing with ORVs.

Carter's position on ORV use of federal lands is expected to be announced on April 7, separately from the Environmental Message. It is unknown whether or not heavy public opposition to the proposed ban has been effective in convincing Carter to abandon the proposals.

Motorcyclists and other off-road vehiclists should continue to write, telegram, and telephone the White House stating opposition to the proposals. ●

Keep up pressure, says AMA

WESTERVILLE, OH, APR. 4

The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) today issued an urgent warning to its members to "keep the pressure on the White House" in the current emergency over future off-road vehicle (ORV) use of federal land.

"A couple of weeks into a crisis like this, things tend to level off." said Rob Rasor, Assoc. Director of the AMA Legislative Dept. "We can't let that happen because the proponents of land closure are using a lot of underground tactics. Our best weapon against those tactics is public pressure directly on President Jimmy Carter."

The crisis arose when the Council on Environmental Quality, an agency of the Executive Branch of the federal government, proposed Amendments to Executive Order 11644 that would change the present policies governing the use of motorcycles and other ORVs on federal land, without public comment.

Rasor said, "The AMA has spent an awful lot of its members' dues dollars working with the Bureau of Land Managment, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, Corp of Engineers, National Forest Service and other agencies to insure that motorcyclists' interests were represented in the land use plans resulting from E.O. 11644.

The executive order is a means of regulation very difficult to oppose," said Rason. "There is no opportunity for the public to have a say.

"The AMA and the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) have repeatedly asked to see the actual and final language of the proposal and have been continually denied specific answers. We're not the only ones having this problem. Senator Frank Church (D-Idaho) said in a news release on the subject. 'The more I have sought the answer, the more varied the answers have become.'

"The key to defeating that secrecy is to raise a fuss" said Rason. "The more people who know about a secret, the harder it is to keep a lid on it. We need to continue the flood of letters — telegrams are better — to the White House."

The thousands of bikers who have already written should now call. The White House number is (202) 456-1414. Tell them you want to express your opinion on federal land use and they will transfer you to a "comments office" where a staff member will take your opinion. Motorcyclists are encouraged to blitz those lines with their feelings on this issue.

"We need to remember." Rasor continued, "that one man has the power to straighten this mess out — Jimmy Carter. There are an incredible number of stories circulating in Washington about who started the order, who modified it and how, who has approved it, who has concealed it and so forth.

"But the point to remember about an executive order is that at some point one man has got to stand up, put his name on it and say, 'I think this is good for you and I'm going to make it law.' That man is President Jimmy Carter and that's who we've got to confront right now.

"The critical objective is to continue to flood the White House with mail.

"We have a new President who campaigned on a platform of openness in government. The first major action of his administration that directly affects motorcycling has been veiled in secrecy and hidden from public access. If President Carter means what he says about the way America should work, he'll stop this order." ●

Senator McClure blasts proposed ORV ban

WASHINGTON, DC, MAR. 31

Senator Jim McClure (R-Idaho) has lashed out at any proposed ban of off road vehicles on public lands, calling the proposal "ridiculous." McClure said the proposal, originating in the Council on Environmental Quality, (CEQ) and now circulating in the Carter Administration "betrays a lack of understanding of the use of public lands.

"I am deeply concerned that this type of proposal may reverse the long standing policy of allowing wide public use of the public lands, to a policy of shutting the public out of its lands, unless public access is specifically permitted," the Senator said. "I will fight tooth and nail against any such proposal to ban the use of off road or recreational vehicles."

McClure said he was amazed at the apparent lack of understanding displayed by the CEQ and the Carter Administration on the use of public lands. "This smacks of typical bureaucratic thinking coming from the marbeled halls of Washington, DC," McClure said. "We should send the bureaucrats out West on a motorcycle, a dune buggy, or a snowmobile so they can clear their heads."

McClure earlier released copies of the CEQ proposal which would drastically shut off public lands to off road travel. The proposal would amend 1972 Executive Order 11644 concerning the use of federal land.

The Idaho Senator said his staff is exploring possible legislative action which can be taken should President Carter accept the recommendation of CEQ. "If the President goes ahead with this ban, then we must stop it in Congress, and I am prepared to do just that," said McClure. ●

The Story of a Preventive protest

By Charles Clayton

There is nothing like a struggle against a common foe to unite bikers. Such a struggle is the proposed ban, on environmental grounds, of off-road riding, racing, recreation and the like on federal lands. In the last two weeks, you all responded like champions to the call for letters and telegrams to the White House and may have stopped a terrible injustice from going down.

A little background information. A snowmobile association first learned of an upcoming Executive Order that would change the policy of the federal government toward recreation vehicles on public land. The snowmobile lobbyists moved quickly and made sure an exemption for snowmobiles was written into the proposed E.O. News of this leaked to an executive of a big dirtbike manufacturer, and he called the motorcycle associations and *Cycle News,* with the disturbing rumor.

Each outfit checked the story independently and agreed that it was serious. In two weeks the President of the United States would declare all lands under the jurisdiction of the federal government — forests, deserts, flood plains, parks — off-limits to motorcycles. Not in so many words, of course. The order was to be worded in the usual environmentalist pig-latin, but it translated beyond a doubt: No Motorcycles Allowed, Ever!

Cycle News tore out the front page on Monday and bannered the story in both editions. Biker boiled it down to a Nutshell in its later edition. By the time the papers hit the street, AMA and MIC members were getting mailgrams from their associations, all urging them to communicate with the White House and try to head off the signing of this order until the President had met with representatives of motorcycle interests.

By Thursday the White House operators were interrupting bikers' calls with a curt *"For or against?"* Secretaries wouldn't estimate the amount of letters already received, but a special task force was set up to deal with the mail on "the motorcycle issue."

It made the evening news in Los Angeles, the first time that we've seen the news report a biker catastrophe that didn't happen yet. U.S. Congressmen were quoted in the papers that day saying they opposed the forth coming Executive Order. They were the same congressmen who had not been informed before the recent order banning dam construction on the same environmental grounds. Carter's honeymoon with Congress may have ended when he stopped the dams in the western states, in the face of a drought. Perhaps Jimmy will now read the implications of the orders his environmental-cases ask him to sign. Let us hope that America's weakest minority, the biker, has helped to turn the tide against this rampant environmentalism that is breaking America down.

We will only know we were successful if it doesn't happen — if Carter doesn't change the present motorcycle status of public lands from "open until ordered closed," to "closed until ordered open". But we can never relax our vigil against the anti-biker in the environmental agencies. We were lucky to be warned this time. Next time we may not find out until it is too late for preventive protest. ●

THE LATEST POOP BY PAPA WEALEY

(Continued from page 2)

Harley-Davidson's Franco Uncini scored a 250cc class win in an International road race program in Italy on March 27. Uncini, who impressed many at Daytona, also scored a second in the 350cc class which was won by Yamaha's Johnny Cecotto. Uncini's teammate Walter Villa suffered a flat tire in the 250cc go and was involved in an accident with Jose Cecotto in the 350cc race.

The U.S. round of the World Trials Championship, slated for May 28-29 in the Port Huron, Michigan area, will be hosted by the Michigan Ontario Trials Association.

Changes in the '77 AMA motocross schedule have been announced. Canceled are the 125cc National scheduled April 17 at Phoenix International Raceway and Trans-AMA Series events originally scheduled November 6 at Saddleback Park in Irvine, California, and November 27 at Phoenix International.

Change your '77 calendars to reflect the following changes which have been made since the above cancelations. The Puyallup (Washington) Trans-AMA will be held on November 6 (originally scheduled for November 13) and the final round of the AMA Supercross Series, originally set for December 3, will be held November 12 at Anaheim Stadium in - yep Anaheim, California.

Gary Semics, reportedly having trouble with calcium deposits in his leg, stayed home to recuperate rather than compete at the Dallas Supercross.

Kawasaki's Supercross Champion, "Jammin' " Jimmy Weinert was having ignition problems all evening at the Dallas one-nighter, couldn't get it all together.

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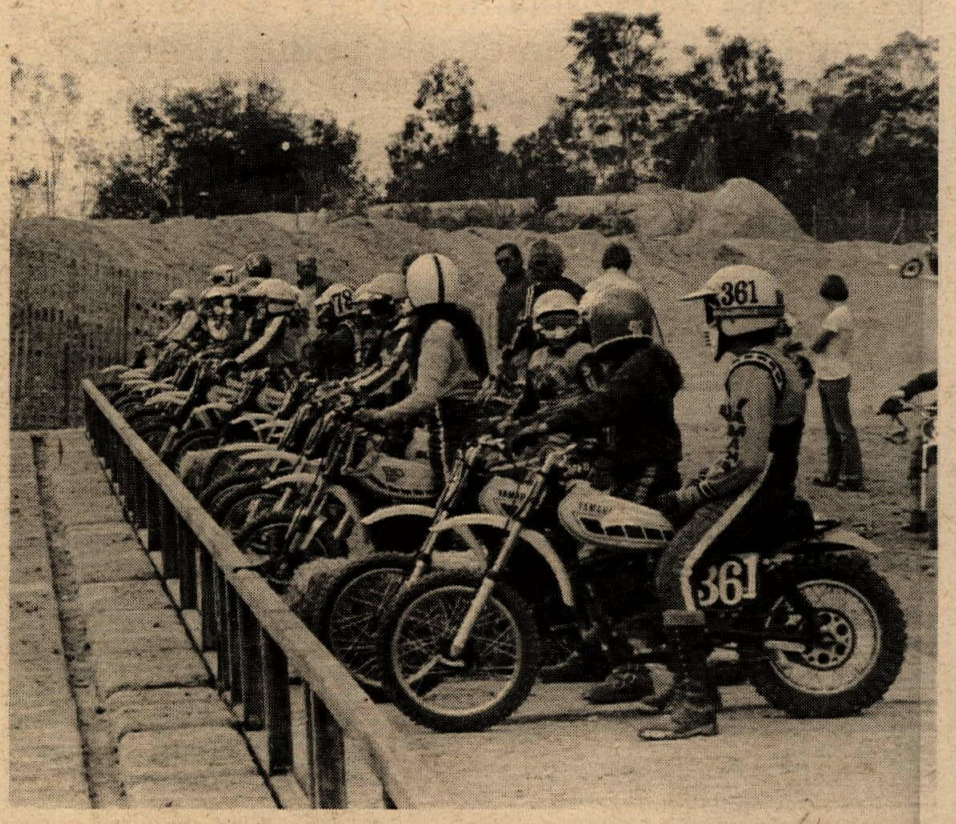

(Above) While the overall Cyclerama concept suffered, the racing was still. . .racing. (Above left) Riders wait to smoke it at zoot-capri hydraulic starting gate. The gate, however, wasn't so zoot when it broke Friday night. An old-fashioned rubber band start substituted. (Below) Saturday's rainstorm turned Cyclerama into a slip-n-slide mudfest for both riders and spectators.

Jeff Ward wins Race of Champions:
Mini Riders slam it, jam it, at NMA Cyclerama '77

By Rex Reese

TRABUCO CANYON, CA, APR. 1-2-3

The National Minicycle Association's (NMA) midnight trophy presentation Sunday night was the final scene of three *long* days and nights of racing at Cyclerama '77. The event, which had been advertised as a motorcycle extravaganza, had as its centerpiece the NMA World Mini GP and Race of Champions. At the other distant corners of the Racing World Park were the CRC-Bosch $5000 motocross, the Jimmy Weinert Supernationals of Bicycle Motocross (BMX), and a Southern California Trials Association (SCTA) trials meet.

The individual events were staged with varying degrees of success. However, the overall "Cyclerama," (co-sponsored by Jack in the Box, Coca-Cola, and Bel Ray) failed to live up to all the public relations-hyped expectations.

Up front, the World Mini GP dominated Cyclerama. Friday afternoon was the scheduled start, with the running of the 100s and 125s, but inadequate lighting delayed the proceedings until 9:00 p.m. By the time the hydraulic starting gate unleashed the first moto off the line, the track was a mottled picture of pools of light and dark, leaving the young riders to race their little hearts out on a half-lit course. There were a few get-offs because of the lack of light. Of the more interesting crashes, 100 Pro Jeff Botima had his Honda seize up on him in mid-air and subsequently the rest of the pack ran him over. He didn't get hurt too bad. Lance Moorewood (Yam), son of NMA racing director Ted Moorewood, was running in the 125 Pros in about third place when he rounded a tight left hand turn and another rider centerpunched him, jamming his thumb and running over his face.

By the time the first night of racing was over, it was 2:00 a.m. In the morning. It was cold, the sky was clouded over and ready to rain. The few people who had any intelligence were already in bed and/or asleep by this time. Kids who normally would've gotten killed by their parents for staying up this late were dead tired. Those who were racing out on the track were riding more radical than they would have it they were in their right minds. It was that late. Everybody was that tired.

With the 100s and 125s out of the way, Saturday and Sunday were devoted to mini racing, with Sunday being focused on the Race of Champions.

Saturday's first event was scheduled to get off the ground at 8:30 a.m., but actually got under way at 9:00 to begin the first moto of over 100 (36 classes) that would be run. The racing was heavy and tight in most classes, and in just about every race, the start was a wave of yellow and black Yamahas and Suzukis. At first it looked as if Suzuki's RM 80 would be competition for the YZ 80, YZs pulled the RMs off the line almost every time. Because of the swoopy banked corners of the Marty Smith track, the stock top gearing on a lot of bikes wasn't tall enough to keep the little bombs from over revving and blowing up from under the riders.

PHOTOS BY REX REESE

Race of Champions overall winner Jeff Ward (left) shakes hands with second-place Scott Burnsworth. Ward lost the last moto to Burnsworth.

For the affectionados of past champs, there was a special XR 75 class so the kids who ride them didn't have to feel outclassed by the faster Yamahas and Suzukis. On the other hand, in one modified class, an incredibly tricked out XR was able to slaughter the usually dominant RMs and YZs.

The clouds that had built up the night before remained a menace all morning long, and by 11:00 o'clock the rain gods loosened their load on Racing World. As always, first the rain came down light, not enough to slow anybody down. Half an hour later it came down heavier, turning the top layer of the track into snot. For over an hour, riders and spectators had to contend with mud which made traction a hit or miss proposition for knobbies and tennis shoes alike. Several riders lost it making their way around the track and fell in the goo, sometimes under their bike, and usually had to wait for a big person to pick them out and send them on their way.

It wasn't hard on everybody: A. J. Whiting was able to smoke his class in royal fashion as he pulled a ¾-lap lead on the second place man, easily winning his moto. Even though rain is a part of racing, enough was enough, and the races were temporarily halted.

The rain eventually stopped and it was decided to disc the slick track to give the racers something to hold on to when they started again.

By the time racing resumed, so had the rain. The first riders to compete on the disked track had to deal with large, thick dirt and mud clods instead of the previously slick track conditions, but that was better than nothing. By the time a few motos had passed, conditions had settled down to something that the rider could effectively cope with. And the rain stopped, too. But not before it had turned the entire World Mini upside down and inside out. Because of the delay for the rain, several classes were re-scheduled for Sunday.

Mini motos were still being run off hot and heavy by the time it was getting dark. The sun went down, the lights turned on, and the groans of the malcontent were once again on the rise. Racing finally ended at 11:00 p.m. when some of the generators on the portable lights started running out of gas.

Sunday morning dawned high and dry. After suffering under an inch of rainfall that appeared to have fallen exclusively on Racing World, Sunday morning opened up with sunshine and blue skies. And — literally — there wasn't a cloud in the sky. But the rain had left its mark: the day that was to have been devoted to the Race of Champions (R.O.C.) had to also include all the motos and runoffs that couldn't be run the day before.

The regular rounds of racing were run until 1:00 p.m. with the following two hours being headlined by the R.O.C. which turned out to be every bit as exciting as anticipated and even more as announcer Larry Huffman was brought in to spice up the action.

The Junior Race of Champions was first off the line as nine of the top Junior cycle riders in the country chased each other around the track on identically prepared 50cc Ital-Jets. Jon-Jon Belisle came out on top after three hot motos which saw him get the best of Randy Jones and Timmy Tomaselli. But the very best was yet to come.

After much hoopla, which involved picking numbers out of a bowl which randomly assigned riders to identical Yamaha YZ80s prepared by Premier Yamaha, introduction by Larry Huffman, and a parade lap, the Yamaha-sponsored Race of Champions got under way. With the Junior R.O.C. serving as only a teaser for the spectators in the bleachers, this was going to be hot stuff.

Brian Myerscough was in it to make his last ride on a mini. Being somewhat taller and heavier than his opponents, what he was giving away in power-to-weight ratio was made up in his ability. His appearance was perhaps more nostalgic than anything else. Jeff Ward, the Honda hotshoe, was a short, yet heavy duty contender. When it got down to it, Ward would surprise everybody. But then again . . . Mark Murphy came from Florida all the way to California to test the California berzerko myth. Jim Holly, Brian Wargo, Ken New, Billy Tuman, Scott Burnsworth, Tim Sheppard, Graham Barber, and A.J. Whiting filled out the line up of super talent at the gate.

When it dropped, Ben Theriot got the holeshot with Ward and Myerscough in tow. Theriot was on the gas for two laps until he crashed. Ward picked up on the lead to take the win. Huffman's screaming kept the crowd on their feet as the champs battled it out on the track. Of the entire Cyclerama, the R.O.C. was the best part.

Myerscough got the lead in moto two, but he got shot down after a couple of laps when a rock found its way to his rear sprocket and sheared all the bolts off. With Myerscough out, the lead went to Jim Holly, but that didn't last for long. Ward came up from behind on the front straight of the track and blew his doors off. When Ward got into the rough, nobody was able to touch him as he pulled out his lead.

The last round was the biggest hair-raiser of all, when Ward got the holeshot with Scott Burnsworth on his rear fender. All the way it was touch and go as Burnsworth kept knocking on the door, only to have Ward shut him out.

Two laps down from the checkered flag, Burnsworth managed to get a foot inside and forced his way by Ward to take the lead. Burnsworth had won a terrific battle that had him at odds with one of the best rides by Ward. Ward, however, had won the war and the R.O.C. trophy. With that in mind, he backed off the throttle and cooled it in second place. Burnsworth had done well enough to get second and Jim Holly came in third. Huffman had successfully pumped up an audience that had seen too much rain and mud and long nights of racing into a group of people who walked away totally satisfied and electrified by the best racing of the three days.

With the R.O.C. out of the way, the regular rounds of motos and runoffs resumed and finished off at 11:30 that night.

At midnight, Jeff Ward was presented the Race of Champions' trophy — which is taller than he is — by NMA President Ron Henrickson. Other class winners had to wade through long lines to get their trophies. To some, it was a small symbol of success over the 1,000 or so riders that they had to compete against. ●

Results

0-83cc STOCK NOV 12+: 1. Allen Hopper. 2. Nick Gott. 3. Jon ZAHRT.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 12+: 1. Randy Dyer. 2. Robert Ross. 3. Vince Poblano.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 12+: —. Tim Shelton. 2. Mike Paulino. 3. Bubba Page.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 12+: 1. Scott Underwood. 2. Rick Johnson. 3. Kyle Hall.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 9-11 YRS: 1. Eric Hall. 2. Joe Rochwalch. 3. Robby Wendt.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 9-11 YRS: 1. Pat Piazza. 2. Paul Dennis. 3. Larry Brooks.
0-83 STOCK NOV 6-8 YRS: 1. Brandon Schneider. 2. Mike Healy. 3. Keith Fox.
0-83cc STOCK EX 0-11 YRS: 1. Troy Blake. 2. Ron Lechien. 3. Sam Storer.
0-83cc STOCK INT 9-11 YRS: 1. Richard Sands. 2. Rick Hemme. 3. Steve Liedberg.
0-83cc STOCK INT 12+: 1. Geoff Brooks. 2. Clay Cauthorn. 3. Tim Hines.
0-83cc MOD EX 12+: 1. S. Shippy. 2. R. Johnson. 3. R. Tyson.
0-83cc MOD NOV 12+: 1. T. Wilson. 2. G. Adams. 3. F. McCullough.
8-83cc MOD NOV 12+: 1. S. Underwood. 2. R. Dyer. 3. J. Blake.
105cc OPEN 9-11 YRS: 1. G. Holland. 2. J. Knight. 3. T. Blake
105cc OPEN 12+: 1. J. Holly. 2. P. Perales. 3. G. Dircks.
105cc OPEN 12+: 1. B. Theriot. 2. J. Qualls. 3. L. Schoening.
105cc OPEN 12+: 1. C. Cauthorn. 2. A. J. Whiting. 3. R. Atkins.
0-83cc MOD INT 12 +: 1. T. Hines. 2. S. Howard. 3. R. Watilo.
0-83cc INT 12+: 1. R. Klatt. 2. M. Urgo. 3. S. Davis.
0-83cc MOD INT 12+: 1. M. Tomaselli. 2. R. Warman. 3. R. Marks.
0-83cc MOD NOV 9-11 YRS: 1. E. Hall. R. Wendt. 3. M. Healy.
0-83cc MOD EX 9-11 YRS: 1. G. Holland. 2. J. Knight. 3. R. Eversole.
0-83cc MOD INT 9-11 YRS: 1. D. Gentry. 2. R. Sands.
0-83cc STOCK EX 12+: 1. R. Johnson. 2. B. Theriot. 3. P. Emerson.
0-83cc STOCK EX 12+: 1. G. Dircks. 2. S. Schmitz. 3. C. Heisser.
0-83cc MOD NOV 12+: 1. R. Johnson (12+) 2. J. Berlin. 3. J. Dyer.
0-83cc MOD NOV 12+: 1. P. Cano. 2. R. Ising. 3. D. Berlin.
JR CYC MOD 9-11 YRS: 1. J.J. Belisle. 2. R. Dickinson. 3. K. Henrickson.
JR. CYC MOD 6-8 YRS: 1. M. Healey. 2. B. Schneider. 3. S. Santy.
0-83cc MOD EX 12+: 1. J. Holly. 2. S. Burnsworth. 3. B. Heart.
0-83cc MOD EX: 1. E. Glover. 2. R. Robison. 3. J. Krumme.
0-83cc STOCK INT 12+: 1. D. Jones. 2. T. Hampton. 3. K. Knox.
0-83cc STOCK INT 12+: 1. S. Davis. 2. R. Warman. 3. C. Easterling.
POWDER PUFF: 1. J. Zvirbulis. 2. C. Dumo.
JR CYC STOCK 9-11 YRS: 1. P. Dennis. 3. K. Henrickson. 3. B. Hardesty.
JR CYC STOCK 6-8 YRS: 1. M. Healey. 2. B. Schneider. 3. S. Zastrow.
XR 75 NOV: 1. J. Berlin. 2. G. Adams. 3. D. Ramirez
XR 75 NOV: 1. T. Tomaselli. 2. D. Berlin. 3. M. Rouff.
PEE WEE STOCK: 1. K. Heisser. 2. C. Tignino. 3. R. Sweringer.
PEE WEE MOD: 1. B. Bowers. 2. J. Malott
XR 75 INT: 1. M. Tomaselli. 2. M. Wisneske. 3. M. Ward.
XR 75 EX: 1. J. Ward. 2. G. Dircks. 3. G. Holland.
0-83cc MOD NOV 9-11 YRS: 1. R. Dickinson. 2. P. Lepp. 3. M. Rouff.
0-83cc STOCK EX FINAL: 1. S. Burnsworth.
105cc OPEN FINAL: 1. B. Jordan.
0-83cc MOD FINAL: 1. S. Shippy.
0-83cc STOCK NOV 12+ FINAL: 1. R. Ross.
JR RACE OF CHAMPIONS: 1. Jon Jon Belisle. 2. Randy Jones. 3. Timmy Tomaselli.
RACE OF CHAMPIONS: 1. Jeff Ward. 2. Scott Burnsworth. 3. Jim Holly.

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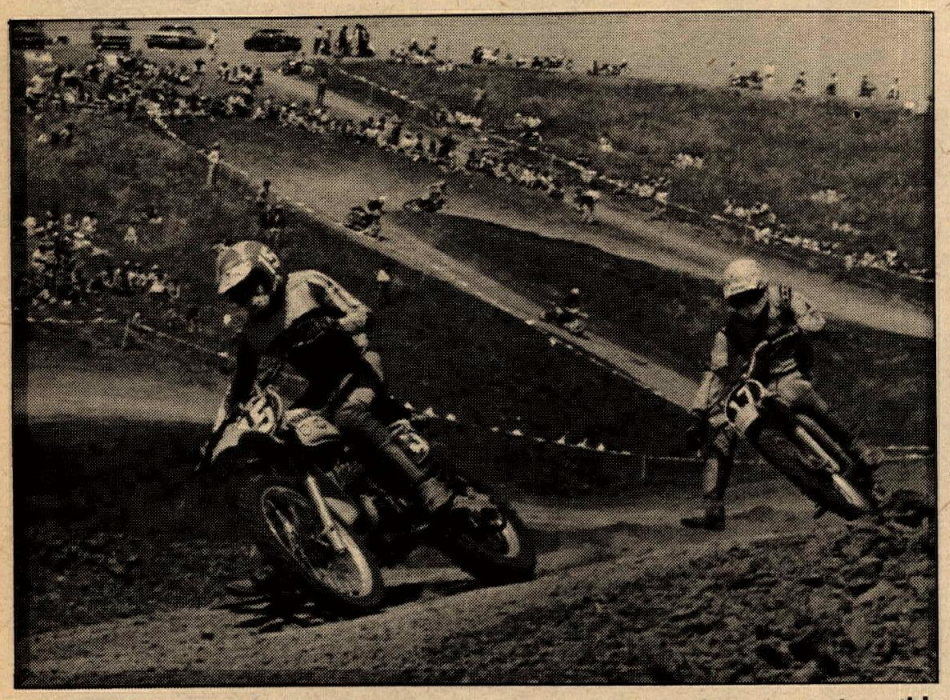


(Above) Ron Turner and Broc Glover were never further apart than this during the second 250 Pro moto. Turner won. (Below) Lance Moorewood (819) dueled with Dave Miller in the Open Pro class. Moorewood won, Miller took third.

PHOTOS BY DALE BROWN

(Above) Ron Turner won the 250 Pro class, finished second 125 at CRC's Robert Bosch $5,000 MX. (Above, left) Gregg Toyama, shown leading Boll Joyce during a 125 qualifying moto, beat Ron Turner and Broc Glover in the final.

Toyama, Turner, Moorewood win CRC/Bosch $5000 MX

By Dale Brown

TRABUCO CANYON, CA, APR. 3

"I should have had him . . . but I didn't. There's no excuses," said Ron Turner after the 125 Pro final, in which Gregg Toyama defeated Turner and Broc Glover for $450 in the California Racing Club (CRC) Robert Bosch $5000 motocross, part of Cyclerama '77.

Turner won his own $450 for his 250 Pro win, as did Lance Moorewood for his victory against the Open Pros. The Pro classes went for $3000, while Sportsman competed for $3,500 in prizes.

The 125 Pro class was the largest, with two divisions and two qualifying motos. The top 20 of the original 32 entrants made a third moto, for all the marbles.

Turner and Glover easily won their respective qualifying divisions. Toyama was running fourth in his division in the first moto when his bike's cylinder studs came loose, leaving him with no compression. He came back to lead his division in the second moto, but Glover passed him about halfway through. Gary Denton had the hard luck story of the class. In the first moto he pulled a holeshot only to break the brake anchor backing plate and drop to seventh. In the second moto, he again pulled the holeshot, only to crash on the top of the long uphill. He got going again, only to have the countershaft sprocket spin on the splines. It was the same countershaft sprocket that he had spent a lot of time and miles looking for. He had finally located one from FMF's Donny Emler, who was reluctant to part with it. Denton, desperate, offered Emler $20 for the sprocket and got it for that price. It is not known for certain whether the sprocket or the countershaft itself failed.

The 125 Pro final was the final race of the day. Toyama, who had just finished dusting off the 100 Experts, took the lead, with Bill Joyce (Suz) and Bobby Jones (Hon) completing the early top three. Turner was in fifth, behind FMF teammate Gary Ogden (Suz). Glover was in sixth. Within a few laps, Jones was out with mechanical troubles and Turner and Glover were past Joyce and Ogden. Then the top three got into a race by themselves, only a few feet apart

throughout the rest of the event. Glover got by Turner when Radical Ron's brake cable snagged on the rear tire and locked the wheel for a split second.

Turner regained second the very next lap when Glover blew a shift. The top three were still very close. Turner and Glover were trying to get by Toyama, but the new course had dried up to a one-line-only-in-most-places situation, and Toyama had the good line. Turner pulled alongside his FMF teammate a couple of times, but Toyama shut the door. On the last lap, Glover crashed when Turner went further outside in a corner than Glover expected and forced him between two lines. Toyama was five feet in front at the checkered.

The second 250 Pro moto featured a similar battle, this time with only Turner and Glover. Turner stayed a few precarious feet ahead of Glover to the checkered, despite a large early lead. The close battle had little bearing on the final outcome of the race, since Glover had gotten a poor start in the first round and finished a distant fourth. Mark Lawrence (Yam) had pressured Turner in the first moto; DNFed in the second. Donnie Hansen (Mai) collected a pair of thirds to finish third.

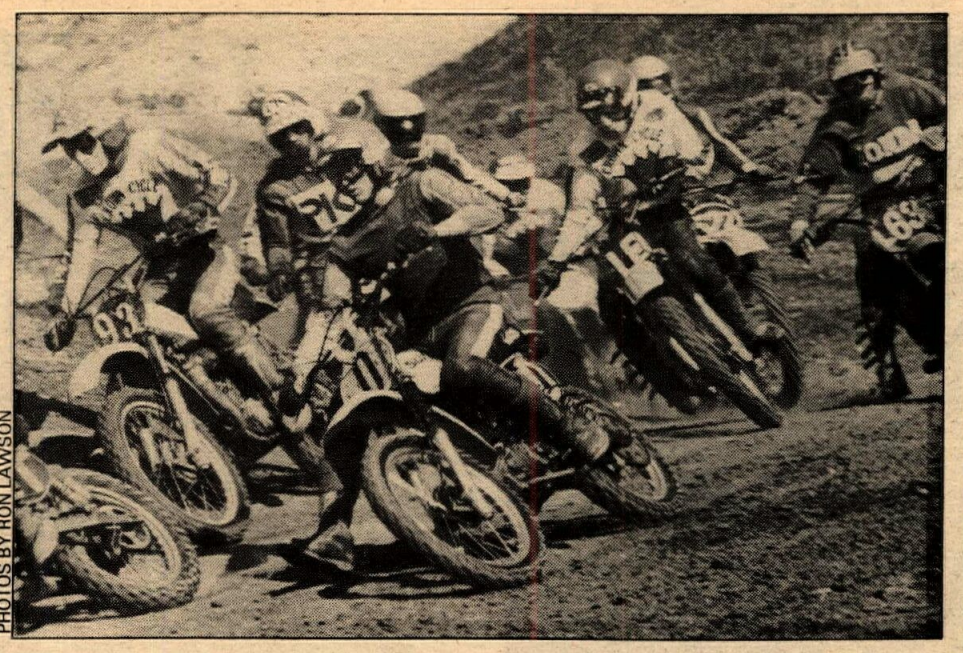
The Open Pros were the smallest Pro class. Starting after the 250s, they were on the track at the same time. Lance Moorewood (Yam) grabbed the early lead, with Dave Miller (Yam) and Robert Marino (Suz) following. Miller got by Moorewood before the halfway point and won the moto.

In the second round, Moorewood let no one by and took the overall win easily. Miller slipped to a disastrous fourth and Marino edged him for second.

This was the inaugural event on Racing World's Marty Smith-designed track. The course is laid out on the side of a fairly steep rolling hillside and is scarcely ever level. The track was excellent during practice, but as seems to be the Southern California case, the adobe dried and there soon were black tire marks indicating the popular lines. It did seem a shame that they bulldozed off all the natural grass from the track, which, according to CRC officials, will only be used for special events. ●

Results

MINI BEG: 1. Mike Hughes (Suz). 2. Eddie Michetti (Yam). 3. Bob Pocius (Yam).
MINI NOV: 1. Joe Morris (Yam). Ed Gieselman (Yam). 3. Clelus O'Brian (Suz).
MINI INT: 1. Tony Barbacovi (Yam).
100 BEG: 1. Rusty Stewart (Yam). 2. Alex Cruz (Hon) 3. Troy siemon (Yam).
100 NOV: 1. David Hughes (Suz). 2. Neil Scott (Hon). 3. Todd Provine (Suz).
100 INT: 1. John Croskery (Suz). 2. Ricky Cecrler (Hon). 3. Patrick Kehoe (Hon).
100 EX: 1. Gregg Toyama (Hon). 2. Mitch Musgrave (Hon). 3. David Blair (Hon).
125 BEG: 1. Bruce Cook (Hon). 2. Chris Rogers (Hon). 3. Roger Pierno (Yam).
125 NOV DIV I: 1. Ted Hoyt (Yam). 2. Clyde Wilson (Hon). 3. Dennis Ivarson (Hon).
125 NOV DIV II: 1. Randy Ross (Suz). 2. Lynn Worley (Suz). 3. Steve Arnold (Suz).
125 INT DIV I: 1. Tim Murphy (Hon). 2. Craig Dale (Hon). 3. Mark Abler (Suz).
125 INT DIV II: 1. Sam Raphael (Suz). 2. Brad Osborne (Hon). 3. Jim Hael (Yam).
125 EX: 1. Gregg Toyama (Hon). 2. Ron Turner (Suz). 3. Broc Glover (Yam).
250 BEG: 1. Steve Salas (Yam). 2. Chris Guerrero (KTM). 3. Mark Pruitt (Suz).
250 NOV: 1. Jim Tacantino (Suz). 2. Brett Simonsen (Mai). 3. Bob Snowden (Suz).
250 INT: 1. Kenny Krumme (Mai). 2. Walt Olson (Mai). 3. Dennis Gilmore (Suz).
OPEN INT: 1. Tim Sapian (Mai). 2. Doug Taft (Yam). 3. Dana Marler (Mai).
250 EX: 1. Ron Turner (Suz). 2. Broc Glover (Yam). 3. Don Hansen (Mai).
OPEN BEG: 1. Alan Root (Mai). 2. Tom Sheperd (Suz). 3. Ron Penington (Suz).
OPEN NOV: 1. Ladell Eide (Suz). 2. Ed Zarp (Yam). 3. Walter Morrison (Yam).
OPEN EX: 1. Lance Moorewood (Yam). 2. Robert Marino (Suz). 3. Dave Miller (Yam).
VET BEG: 1. Asker Larnkjaer (Suz).
VET INT: 1. Bill Burkhart (Yam). 2. Harold Denning (Yam).
VET SR: 1. Joe Price (Hus). 2. Joseph Brown (KTM). 3. Jess McIntosh (Mai).



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Mark Ellis (0) and Mark Lawrence (93) chase Rob Zamora in the 125 Pro class. Note Sue Fish at back of pack, starting with the wrong class.

Fish's luck in her final moto proved better — she won it.

Crown Cycle riders dominate DeAnza

By Ron Lawson

SUNNYMEAD, CA, MAR. 27

It seemed like the whole day was going to be downright rotten for Sue Fish. Her bad luck began at the start of the first moto of CRC's scheduled two-round 125 Intermediate class. The 125 Experts were combined with Fish's race with a staggered start. Not realizing this, she left the line at the first drop of the flag with the Pros. Several other Intermediates had made the same error, so, later, officials elected to run the entire moto over again, nullifying Sue's victory.

When they lined up a second time, she shot off the line with the rest of the pack. In a couple of laps, she was in second place, pressuring Mickey McDougal (Suz) for the lead. But, once again, luck was against Fish and she fell on the third lap, giving McDougal an uncontested win. "I know two riders got by me while I was down, but I thought I repassed them. I really thought I had second." Despite Fish's confusion, the riders she passed were down a lap and she came in third behind McDougal and Craig Gormley (Yam).

Fish was determined to change her luck at the start of the final round. This was obvious the way she grabbed the lead and kept it. Behind her, McDougal battled with Joe McManus (Suz) and Gormley. The three way fight for second continued until the fourth lap when Gormley took a hard spill on an uphill sweeper. After that, it was Fish, McDougal and McManus all the way to the finish. McDougal still got the overall victory. Sue left with second place honors.

Sue's Crown Cycle teammate, John Atwood (Yam) was more successful against Mickey's brother, Danny McDougal (Suz), in the 250 Pro class.

Their first moto was all McDougal's. From start to finish, he had a commanding lead over Atwood and Jim LaTendresse (Suz). The next moto, however, was a different story. McDougal was off to a poor start, while Atwood enjoyed the number one spot. McDougal tried to close the gap, but crashed while pushing through the pack. He got up and remounted, only to fall again. He eventually finished fifth, giving the top money to Atwood and LaTendresse.

Yet another rider from Crown Cycle, Mark Lawrence, walked away from the 125 Pro class. His primary competition was from Atwood (Yam), who was running two classes, and Mark Ellis (Suz). Rob Zamora (Hon) pulled the first holeshot. Lawrence, however, wasted no time in getting around him. Zamora and Ellis chased the Yamaha pilot until about midway in the moto, when they both began to tire. They dropped back a couple of spaces and Atwood and Dave Europkin (Hon) happily filled their places and finished in that order.

In the next moto, Ellis made his bid for first. He led the pack for more than half the race, only to let Lawrence by on the sixth lap. Atwood finished third which gave him second overall. Ellis came out third in the final standings. ●

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Blose Brothers sweep Canyon Raceway

By Lesley Crawford

PHOENIX, AZ, MAR. 27

Chappy Blose motored his Maico to a clean sweep of the 250 Pros at Canyon Raceway Sunday. In the first moto, brother Bobby grabbed the holeshot ahead of Chappy, only to leave the race midway with a broken bike. With Chappy in the lead, followed by Husky-mounted Gary Hickerson, and Dave Crawford (Mai) moving into third with a locked up brake after his first crash of the day. The race finished in that order.

Chappy Blose got the second moto holeshot and remained untouchable the whole race. The interest turned to the race for second position between three riders — Pat Imbriale (Hus), Andy Frola (Mai) and Crawford. All three were in tight — it was anyone's race. Crawford called it his but Imbriale and Frola didn't give up easily! It was a knobby-to-knobby battle for several laps with Crawford inching by one, then the other. Blose was too far gone to catch and Crawford settled for second. Imbriale rode a consistent race to finish third, followed closely by Frola. Overall wins went to Blose, Crawford, Imbriale, and Hickerson.

Suzuki-mounted Dave Crawford got the holeshot ahead of Tucson visitor, Carlos Serrano (Suz) in the first 125 moto, but his luck ran true to form for the day! He had a head-on encounter with a tire not quite off the track, sending him over the handlebars, into the cactii, and out of the race. The flying Chicano, now in the lead, flat smoked and finished a lap ahead of the rest of the pack. Chappy Blose (Hon) came in second with a good lead over Steve Yarborough in third.

The second moto saw Blose with the holeshot, Andy Frola (Hon) and Crawford near the front, and Serrano buried back in the pack. Serrano charged and crashed, charged again to fourth, never catching the leaders. Blose, in the meantime, had been building up quite a lead, but Crawford had finally moved around hard riding Frola, and started closing in. The last lap saw him stuck to Blose's rear wheel, but time had run out due to a shortened second moto. Blose and Crawford finished one-two. Third went to Frola, Serrano fourth. Overall honors went to Blose, Serrano, and Frola.

The Open Pro race could have been the hottest race of the day, had Carlos Serrano not lost his clutch, jumped the gate before it ever dropped, and found himself penalized a lap for the restart of the first moto. Bobby Blose, on a County Cycle Maico, stormed into the lead followed by Mike McCarty (Suz) and the Brawner brothers, Randy and Bob (Maicos). Serrano was way back in last, chasing his runaway Husky! After finally getting into the saddle, the flying Chicano went over, under, and around everybody in sight except Blose, who had a commanding lead the whole race. Blose took a well deserved first, Tom Pulver (Mai) second, Mike Blakely (Kaw) third, and Serrano, in spite of a one lap penalty, fourth.

The second moto was restarted after Brad Mollohan (Mai) took a hard fall in the rocks inside the first turn and the ambulance was called onto the track. Blose again got the holeshot, followed by Randy Brawner and Pulver. Serrano, after a bad start again, came banzaiing through the pack and soon was second behind Blose. In two laps he devoured the distance between them, riding Blose's wheel. Blose then either gave way to pressure and dropped his pace, letting Serrano breeze by with ease, or; knowing he had the overall secured, saw no reason to race. Serrano won the moto by a country mile, Blose took second, Hannah (Mai) third. Taking home the overall wins were Blose, Serrano, and Pulver, in that order.

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(Above) Ken Taylor lapped much of the Open Pro field at DeAnza on his way to victory. (Below) Mark Ellis tossed his chain in the first moto and still won overall against the 125 Pros.

PHOTO BY RON LAWSON

Ellis smokes DeAnza MX

By Ron Lawson

SUNNYMEAD, CA, MAR. 20

Although Mark Ellis hasn't been riding in the 125 Expert class long, he can sure get his Suzuki to move when he wants to. He demonstrated this Sunday with a first overall at DeAnza Cycle Park.

He grabbed the holeshot in the first moto and immediately opened a sizeable lead over Rob Zamora (Hon). After about three laps, Ellis had such a lead that he was able to slow his lightning pace and take it easy. Things were looking so good for Mark, something almost had to happen. On the 12th lap, something did happen. He tossed his chain. While he was struggling to get back in the race, Zamora cruised by. Ellis remounted and rode like crazy, but couldn't catch the Honda before the checkered flag. Joe Paddilla (Hon) finished a distant third.

In the next round, the start was a duplicate of the first. Ellis developed the familiar 15-second lead in the first few laps. This time, however, he stayed there throughout the 16-lap race. Zamora finished second while Paddilla came in third once more.

The Taylor Brothers, Rick and Ken, scored a double header, winning the 250 and Open Pro classes on their Suzooks. Both of them, however, had some competition. On the big bikes, Ken had a hard time from Leon Baird (Mai), who won the first moto. Ken's second effort proved more successful and he got the overall victory. In the 250 class, Rick took both motos. Danny Jean (Suz) pressed hard, but couldn't catch the flying Suzuki pilot.

250 Intermediate Ray McNeil (Ossa) also had a great race to his credit, winning all three motos. He was followed by Jim Garton (Yam) and Howard Meyer (Hon). ●

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Blose, Crawford, Jones top Pros at Canyon Raceway

By Lesley Crawford

PHOENIX, AZ, MAR. 20

When the 125 Pros shut off the line in the first moto, it was Chappy Blose (Hon) followed closely by Dave Crawford (Hon). Blose held a slight edge for the first half lap when Crawford crashed, leaving Blose with a good lead over Jimmy Wright (Hon) and Andy Frola (Hon). Crawford dropped to 12th place. Moving through the pack rapidly to fourth position, he could never catch the three hard-charging Hondas in front. Blose continued to stretch his lead, taking the checkered flag without pressure from anyone.

The second time around Frola got the holeshot and started moving out. Crawford and Blose, with bad starts, soon moved into second and third. Crawford took a slide in the sand, sending Blose into second. It was a fender to fender charge on Frola, with Crawford putting the move on Blose and quickly overtaking Frola. Crawford headed on to take the checkered flag, followed by Blose, Frola, and Wright. Top honors went to Blose, Crawford, Frola and Wright.

The 250 Pro race was a clear runaway on the part of Dave's Cart and Cycle Maico-mounted Dave Crawford. Never losing the lead after holeshot starts in both motos he took two first place finishes. Second overall went to a determined, but not quite fast enough Chappy Blose (Mai), followed by Gary Hickerson (Hus) third.

County Cycle's hard charging Roger Jones (Mai) swept through two straight moto wins to take the overall Open Pro win. Crashes and bike problems took out some top contenders early both motos, the worst being a nasty spill taken by Husky rider John Imbriale over suicide hill, resulting in a broken collarbone. Mike McCarty (Suz) rode consistently to finish second, Tom Pulver (Mai), survived a few soil samples to take third. ●

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PHOTOS BY LEE TAYLOR

Broc Glover blasts through traffic at AME's $2000 Duralube Series finale. Glover ended up second to Willy Simons in a hard-fought 125 Pro bash.

Simons beats National stars at AME $2000 MX

By Lee Taylor

VALENCIA, CA, MAR. 27

Willy Simons, on a DG Yamaha, had one of the greatest rides of the day, topping a huge 125 Pro class out for a crack at the final race in the $5,000 DuraLube Series with a $2,000 purse and a $200 bonus at stake.

In the first 30 minute moto, Simons grabbed the holeshot. He had Ron Turner (FMF) behind him keeping the pressure on. Bobby Jones (Hon) was in third and doing battle with Tim Lunde. These two were together again, continuing the duel they had in Bakersfield. Jones was fighting for all he was worth but finally turned third over to Lunde in the sweeper turn. Warren Reid's Honda had mechanical troubles, setting him back several laps. Lunde broke down, leaving room for Gary Denton (Suz) to move in. Denton kept the heat on Jones and finally got by him.

Simons had set up a strong lead and Reid had his bike running again and was back in the race. Broc Glover, riding for Yamaha, had moved up to third. By the white flag lap, Simons had lapped many riders and Jones was out of the race with a sick bike.

The second time around, Simons again jumped into the lead, with Bill Joyce (Suz) behind him. Turner was in third, pushing hard. Reid was running sixth, with Glover behind him. Glover started moving up and soon was in third, on Turner's tail. Glover got by Turner, as did Reid.

Simons was fighting with all his might to hold Glover back. But in the turn before the finish line Glover got by. Simons stayed up with Glover until he started lapping riders. The overall win went to Simons, who took home a $300 check. Glover picked up second and third went to Turner. ●

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Jay Bales, Dorothy Rowe win at Elsinore TT

By Andi Gangewer

ELSINORE, CA, MAR. 19

Chris Chandler aboard a Honda, had the privilege of leading the combined 125 Amateur/Expert race for two laps when a fellow Amateur, Jay Bales, worked his way through the pack and took over the lead. Chandler was having a difficult time keeping riders from passing and Steve Karsten followed in Bales' footsteps to pass Chandler on the back sweeper. The Experts just couldn't find their way around the Amateurs and the finish went: Bales, Karsten and Chandler. Robert Pfetzing and Rob Dameron were the first and second Experts in that order.

Bales led the second race from start to finish. It was a blanket race for second place between Pfetzing, Ken McIntire and Chandler. Bales pulled way out front and chalked up first place Amateur points. Pfetzing was next in line but also received the first in the Expert class. In moto three, Bales pulled the holeshot and easily crossed the finish ahead of the rest. Bales was rewarded with the Amateur trophy and Robert Pfetzing took home the Expert winnings.

Bales made another fine showing in the 250 Amateur/Expert race. The Amateurs were handicapped out in front but the phenomenal Dorothy Rowe took the checkered. Another Amateur, Tom Hughes held on to the second and Bales led Expert Jack Smith in for fourth in the first moto.

In the second race for the 250s, Rowe had easy pickings. She is so inconspicuous off the track that she

PHOTO BY TOM CORLEY

In the same corner that gave 125 Pro Gary Denton troubles at CMC Irwindale, one 125 Junior looks rubber-legged while another tries to get around.

PHOTO BY JAMES BRAMMER

Broc Glover kept Yamaha's image sparkling by taking a 250 Pro win at CMC's South Bay High School MX.

even picks up her trophies either before or after anyone else arrives to receive theirs. But she can't help but be noticed by everyone on the track. Tom Hughes was on Bales' tail every step of the way, but Bales was careful to keep the door shut. In the final race for the 250s, Bales did a magnificent job of holding Rowe to second for three long laps but the second she saw the white flag, it was her cue to make the kill, and she dived under Bales to do a repeat win. The overall finish was Rowe, Bales and Hughes. ●

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CMC Irwindale MX: Denton's still in command

By Tom Corley

IRWINDALE, CA, MAR. 18

The CMC Night Nationals champion Gary Denton is still going strong at Irwindale. The former DG ace has now found a new sponsor and it seems that he is really happy with his Suzuki from Suzuki of Pomona. This evening Gary went for the 125 Pro win and successfully out-performed ten competitors.

In the first moto, Denton was on his way to the win when he slid out on a corner in front of the grandstands. Dave Pessy took total advantage of this and took an easier command of the lead. Todd Peterson (Hon) roosted around that same corner and apparently made it harder for Denton to get going again and as they flew through the checkered flag it was Pessy, Peterson and Denton.

When the second moto took place, turmoil occurred at the starting sweeper. This corner is known for its famous pile-ups but this time it claimed the first moto winner Pessy. So this time he ended up with an eighth while Denton had a very clean win over Tim Lunde, John Atwood and Peterson.

Third moto action saw Denton take a very convincing ten or 15-yard length lead over his nearest competitor which really made him stand out as the 125 Pro champ of Irwindale Raceway. Overall Denton took home the first place honors over Lunde (Yam), Peterson (Hon), Pessy (DG) and Atwood (Yam). ●

Glover headlines record entry at South Bay HSMX

By James Brammer

SAN DIEGO, CA, MAR. 23

High School Motocross at South Bay was another cakewalk for Broc Glover, the 16-year old member of the successful Yamaha Team in the Florida Winter Series of motocross.

Riding in the 250 Professional class with 10 riders, he was hardly challenged. Second place man Mike McGowen (Hus) had one brief moment ahead of Glover at the start of the first moto. McGowen and Scott Montgomery (TS) scrambled for second in the second moto with McGowen getting by as Montgomery fell on the finish line.

In the same race, Tim Marsh got an ambulance ride after a fall in the starting lap, suffering a dislocated shoulder.

The previous winner for the 250 Pros, Mike Tripes, was in the pits without a bike and calculating the purse. The Pro classes drew $400 payback. With 241 entries the night was the greatest in four years at South Bay in motocross, about double the break-even draw of March 2.

Terry Shekell (Yam) won the 125 Pro class with Steve Bartley (DG) and George Speck side-by-side for second at the finish. Speck had won the first moto, but was edged out by Bartley for second overall at the finish.

Rob Norgaard (Kaw) moved up in both motos from fourth to win over eight riders in the 500 Pro class. He took the lead from Kenny Frost on lap three of six in the second moto.

Tony Gomez riding in 125 and 250 Intermediate classes won four first places, and he gets points from both classes for Montgomery High School riders. Montgomery is a previous championship winner. They were in seventh place after the first night in the current series. Morse High is the leader.

Rick Doetsch (Hon) won 1-1 in the first of four divisions of 125 Junior class riders. Ron Loundsbury of Bonita was second to Doetsch in the second moto and Mark Castellanos from Morse High third. Castellanos' finish was good for second overall in the division.

Max Maple (Suz) has four first places in four motos of the series in the 500 Intermediate class. ●

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PHOTO BY DAN MAHONY

Mike Tidwell leads Chuck Palmgren out of a corner at Corona's TT.

Tidwell four for four at Corona night flat track

By Elaine Jones

CORONA, CA, MAR. 23

Mike Tidwell, sporting his new Pro Novice plates, rode four races and won four including both money races. *(This was before Tidwell's Mar. 27 accident at Sears Point . . . Ed)*

He had some better than average competition to race against in the Money TT as Chuck Palmgren was out again and Dave Aldana showed up with a 250cc motocrosser complete with knobbies. Tidwell blasted off the line with Dennis Briggs in second and Palmgren in third. By the second lap, Palmgren had passed Briggs and went looking for Tidwell. Tidwell was long gone, taking full advantage of the duel between Palmgren and Briggs to get as much distance as he could between himself and Palmgren. Chuck did close the gap but time ran out as Tidwell brought it home. Palmgren was second.

Ten half mile Money riders pulled onto the line to do battle. Again it was Tidwell with another fantastic start, drag racing his 250cc Yamaha single into the first turn to get a slight lead on Wayne Rainey. Tim McWhorter locked into third and Marti Halkola fourth. Rainey, who was coming off a super win streak at Daytona, found out that Tidwell was even hotter as he followed him to the checkered and collected second place dough. McWhorter was third.

Add both 250 Expert TT and half mile for two more wire-to-wire victories and you have a rather outstanding night for the 15-year-old Upland ace. John Mattocks and Lee Hales were two, three on the TT and Danny Perkins and Don Tortorelli did it on the half mile.

Mike Meyers absolutely smoked everyone in the Open Amateur/Expert as he made it look easy while everyone else looked like they were working at it. Dan McWhorter picked up second after he battled with Pat Dobbins, who held him in third for three out of the five laps.

Robert Pfetzing almost had a triple win as he won the 125cc Amateur/Expert TT and the Open Novice TT. His streak was broken in the 125 Amateur/Expert half mile where he ran into two scrappy youngsters named Chris Cannon and Bobby Garabedian. It was Garabedian out first with Steve Karsten and Cannon in the next two spots. On lap two, Cannon had passed Karsten and was pressing Garabedian. For two laps they switched back and forth with Garabedian getting the lead by a hair as they crossed the finish line. On the fifth lap, Cannon put a move on Garabedian that did the trick and he took it on home for the win in a drag race for the checkered. ●

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Western hotline

Craig Mock was determined to get to the top of the Saddleback hill — to the point of throwing the bike the rest of the way.

Cliff Lett (66) got CMC 125 Pro action underway ahead of Terry Shekell (87) and Randy Hess (27). (Below) Val Tamietti was king of the hill in the CMC 250 Pro class.

Peterson top eliminator at Widowmaker warmup hillclimb

By Ann A. Powell

ORANGE, CA, MAR. 27

Local hillclimbers are getting ready for the granddaddy of all hillclimbs, the Widowmaker. Today's climb was a warm-up, and new gearing, new swingarms, and assorted trick equipment were out in full force. Also new were many of the competitors. They weren't getting ready for the trip to Utah, but they were just beginning to break into the sport.

Among those climbing at Saddleback for the first time were Louis Damiana, winner of the 250 Beginner class, and Carl Turner, second in that class. These riders had been "watching" and then had to try their luck. This new Beginner's class is a good place to break in. Riders have a chance to get used to the feel of the hill without being awed — and beaten — by those who have been climbing for a long period of time.

A new name hit the number one spot in the highly competitive 650 Stock class. Ron Powell has to be viewed as a sentimental favorite since his Triumph was built and presented to him only two months ago by the other riders in the Saddleback Hillclimbers' Association. Powell had been their president for two years and club members were pleased to see him put their gift through its paces.

Some changes were made in the Saddleback climbs this month, and those changes were reflected in the winner's circle. No longer are paddle tires allowed in the stock classes, and some of the riders who traditionally dominate these classes weren't running. This was most noticeably true in the 400 Stock class, which had been dominated by Kerry Peterson on his Maico. Today's win went to Bob Bayuk, who may take over as the dominant rider in Kerry's place.

But, just because he wasn't riding in that 400 Stock class didn't mean that Peterson was out of the way. He fought Dick DeRosa in the 400 Modified class, coming away with a second place, and then jumped that 400 to the Open class where he beat all comers. Riding in the Open class, Peterson was one of only four to top the hill. He continued to go over the top, even when the starting log had been moved forward (and upward) to the 250-foot mark. When the dust had settled, Peterson had taken the number one trophy in the Open class, also grabbing the top eliminator trophy. He was still romping over the top of the hill when everyone else had fallen by the wayside. ●

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Myerscough, Tamietti, Bell cop CMC Carlsbad MX

By Patti Trotter

CARLSBAD, CA, MAR. 27

The 125 Pro fans were treated to some unreal action as Randy Hess (FMF), Brian Myerscough (R&D) and the brothers Wanket (FMFs) ripped apart the greatly expanded track today. As the gate dropped Cliff Lett (FMF) was the taker of the forward ground and Hess and Myerscough were right on his tail. Lett was only able to hold the lead for a short time, before a broken rod forced him out.

Hess and Myerscough had some serious racing on their minds as both of the riders wanted to be the leader. Terry Shekell (Yam) was third, Jim Domann (Yam) and Pete Wanket (FMF) were next in the parade. Domann was forced to retire from the race with a flat tire and Wanket took the opportunity to move up a slot.

Myerscough was now in the lead and Hess was riding only inches behind him and trying to pass the Suzuki-mounted leader. As the leaders were coming off the downhill, Hess was able to out-gas Myerscough and regain his lead. Pete Wanket was still third and behind him, Nelson Whithill (Yam) and Tony Wanket (FMF) went bar-to-bar in the horseshoe turn but Wanket remained the follower until they got into the gulch and he whipped by for fourth.

At race end Hess led Myerscough, Pete Wanket, Tony Wanket, and Shekell across the finish line.

Myerscough took the lead in the second race and held it for the entire moto. Hess and Pete Wanket were his closest competition. At the end of the race the top points went to Myerscough, Hess, Pete Wanket, Nelson Whitehill and Chris Burgeson.

Maico-mounted Clark Jones got the credit for the holeshot in the first 250 Pro moto. By the end of the first lap, DG superstar Mike Bell and his Yamaha looked like the one to beat. Val Tamietti (Mai) was second, Jones third and Brad Roysdon (Suz) fourth. At least 10 seconds behind due to a crash on the start was John Smith and his FMF Yamaha. By the second lap Steve Rhyan (KTM) was fourth and Smith fifth. Bell and Tamietti opened up a good lead leaving Jones, Rhyan and Smith to battle for the next places. Rhyan moved to third and Smith fourth but within a quarter of a lap, everything changed again. The leaders were still Bell and Tami but Jones took back third; Rhyan, Mike Palhegyi (Hus) and Smith were next. A the laps elapsed, Bell was so far out in front of the pack his lead was in no way threatened. Tamietti and Rhyan got a dice going while seeing who would be awarded the coveted second

place points. Tami's wife Debbi was busy with the pit board and signaling for her man to *go!* Top points went to Bell, Tamietti, Rhyan, Smith, Jones and Palhegyi.

Smith was on the gas in the second moto to take the lead as the riders came around the first turn. Tamietti was running second, Bell third, and Jones and Rhyan fourth and fifth. Smith and Bell exchanged the forward position several times during the moto. Tamietti, Rhyan, Jones and Top Shelf rider Scott Montgomery were in hot pursuit. As the leaders came into the sweeper, the bikes tangled and Smith was able to take over the lead again. Bell came up with a flat tire. Smith and Tami motored away from the other riders, leaving Rhyan and Bell to battle with Jones and Montgomery.

The overall win went to Tamietti, followed by Smith, Bell, Rhyan and Jones.

David Gerig (Suz) blasted off the line for the lead in the Open Pros. Mike Bell (DG-Yam), Luke Messer (Mai) and Val Tamietti (Mai) filled the next slots. Bell was quick to swoop the lead away from Gerig and dial it on for another unreal lead. Tamietti slipped by Gerig in the gully to run third. From this point in the race there were no changes in the lead. Bell got such a lead that he had lapped everyone up to the seventh place rider. In the second moto Gerig again got the holeshot and again Bell smoked the pack. Money went to Bell, Rhyan, Tamietti, Allen Ortiz (Mai) and Rich Thorwaldson (Thor). ●

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Duncan spikes Old Timers MX

By Betty Bird

VALENCIA, CA, MAR. 20

Spike "Long time no see" Duncan showed that Duncan style, taking King of the Mountain in the Masters' camp. In second was Ron Miller, with Al Dennler on the #1 Maico third. Marvin Olson disappeared for awhile in the third moto. He said Maicos can do anything so he tried to teach it to swim.

Doug Archibald slipped into first and out of the Expert class into the Master division. John Selder knows what line he wants to take, and if that bike doesn't listen, he picks it up and puts it there, and he did just that for second place.

Dick Mosely, took the overall Amateur with Basil Sanchez charging for second. It was hard to determine what it was in third. At times all you could see was a cloud of dust and the awesome sounds were strange coming from an MX track. As it came around on the fifth lap, a group of us decided it was Jerry "Tonka Truck Sponsored" Scott with a brand new tire — knobbies that looked as though they could have been used by the Romans on their racing chariots. Is John Deere making motorcycle parts too?

In the Novice class, four-stroker Bill Lyons zapped 'em for first. Kenny Watts was in for second. Roy King was out there doing what he likes best, and did it in third place. John Turdo was the official track inspector for the day and he really took his work seriously — putting his head and shoulders into it. We hope to receive his "report" next week — but from the looks of John, he found the only real hard spot on the track. ●

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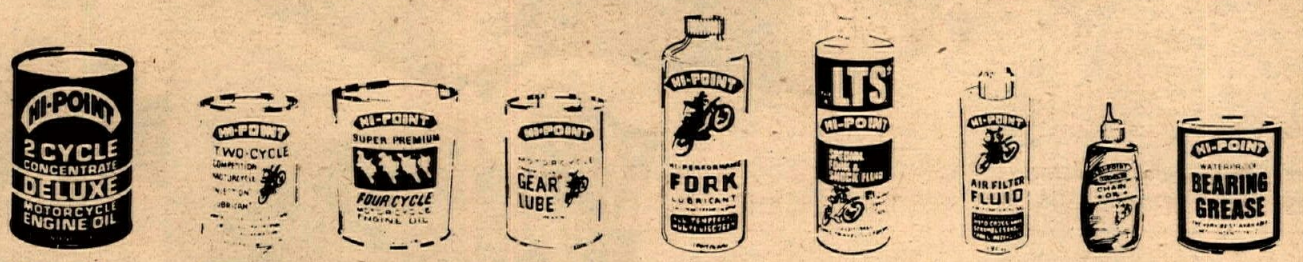

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Palmgren nabs 395 Cycle Park cash clash

By Phil Carpenter

ADELANTO, CA, MAR. 20

B & B Yamaha-Honda of Victorville sponsored the season opener in honor of 395 Cycle Park's sixth birthday. John Ostrander, President of the promoting TT M.C., held up practice while racers joined former employees and retired racers in greeeting old friends and competition.

But once Jumping John dropped the green flag, it was down to business as usual especially in the TT cash dash as Chuck Palmgren took the $25 win from Earl Roloff aboard a 500 BSA. Winning the 500 class on this fast, smooth track is never easy but today the lineup included all National numbers and two former 395 champions, but Palmgren edged them out in both mains. In separate Open half mile action, Craig Armstrong took the lead from Mike Laney. Adelanto ace Gary Praster delighted local fans with his win in Open Amateur competition on the ⅞-mile TT course; but, in half mile action, Pat Dobbins' trick Triumph took the checkered from Praster. Lee Hales won 250 Expert.

Local lads dominated Open Novice competition with Rich Barnes taking both first place trophies and Arnold Hester gaining second in half mile mains while Larry Orr again third in TT action. It was Jeff Neeley's day — winning everything he entered including the traditional Sweepstakes. Little Danny Perez showed big brothers in two easy lessons how to win trophies by keeping Roger Thompson second in Mini Novice competition.

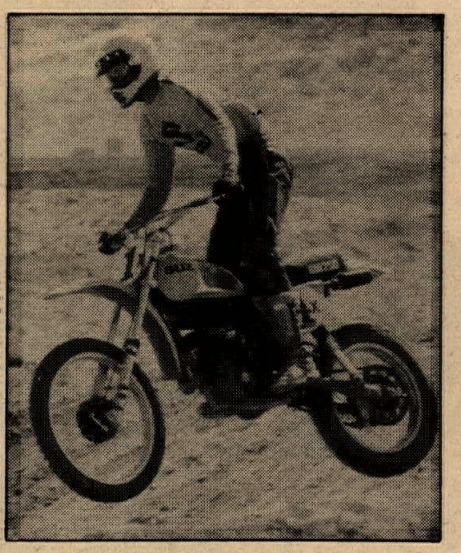
Robertson's a winner at AME Youth Spring Nationals

By Lee Taylor

VALENCIA, CA, MAR. 27

Rod Robertson, riding a Suzuki for R & L Industries, really put his bike through its paces in the 100 class and had the crowd cheering. For starters, he had a fight on his hands for first with Randy Tysor (Hon). Tysor had the holeshot and found Robertson pushing him hard all the way.

After several laps of trying, Robertson made it by Tysor and set about lengthening his lead. He also had Richard Ising (Yam) to contend with when Ising moved up to put the heat on. Robertson kept his throttle on and in no time at all, he started lapping other riders and had a one mile lead over everyone else. Ising had moved into second, but there was no way he could catch Robertson. By the end of the race Robertson had first overall sewed up. ●



(Above) Terry Ducker won both 125 Pro motos at Edwards, while (below) Tim Welker did likewise amongst the 250 Pros.

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Ducker wins Desert Wheels MX

By Greg Robertson

EDWARDS, CA, MAR. 20

Terry Ducker set his old Yamaha aside and brought out a new YZD. It was evident that Terry meant business as he grabbed the 125 Expert holeshot in the first moto. Behind him were George Faber (Yam), Mark Barns (Suz), Jim Sendlebach (Yam), and Rick Hulsizer (Yam). Within the first lap Faber crashed after hitting a stack of car tires while coming off a jump. Barns passed Sendlebach and the fallen Faber for second place. Things stayed the same for the rest of the moto except for Rodney Brand (Suz), who had been working up from a bad start, passing Hulsizer for fourth at the end of the moto.

In the second moto start Ducker came out of the first corner with about a 30 foot lead, followed by Barns, Brand, and Sendlebach. Brand quickly put the move on Barns for second. Ducker continued to increase his lead while Brand held second over a Barns-Sendlebach battle for third. Sendlebach managed to pass Barns on the last lap to get third in the moto and third overall.

In 125 Junior, Scott Walker (Hon) pulled the holeshot ahead of Terry Wick (Yam), Steve McCormick (Yam), and Russell Clutter (Yam). In the first lap McCormick dropped back while Clutter moved up for third and Alan Anderson (Suz) took fourth. By the end of the moto a charging Clutter passed both Wick and Walker to win. Anderson took second over Mike McGhee (Hon).

Scott Walker once again got the holeshot with Don Patterson (Yam) and Ken Hatcher (Yam) holding down second and third. First moto winner Russell Clutter had his work cut out for him, as he got dead last out of the first corner. By the third lap Clutter had worked all the way up to second behind Patterson. On the last lap Clutter got by Patterson and went on to a well-deserved moto win and first overall. Second went to Mike McGhee and third to Alan Anderson..

Tim Welker had an easy time in the first 250 Expert moto, winning with ease over Rodney Brand (Suz), Fred Griego (RM), and Craig Osborn (KTM) who's making a comeback to racing after being out for a couple of months due to a broken ankle. Welker again got the start in moto two, but Brand was right on his tail not giving an inch. Brand's pressuring Welker made them build up a giant lead over third place Osborn. Brand used every move he knew trying to get by Welker, but Welker held out by a mere 10 feet at the finish to take the moto win and first overall. Brand took second overall ahead of Osborn. ●

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North still undefeated, Miller gets richer at Corona MX

By Elaine Jones

CORONA, CA, MAR. 18

There was some good racing at Corona Friday especially among the Pros. The 125s squared off with a larger than usual field and the name of the game was get Marty Miller. Unfortunately for them nobody could although they all gave it a good try.

The first moto was a game of follow the leader with the top four riders content to follow Miller around. At the end of one it was Mattocks, Wolford and Guth in the second, third and fourth spots. The final go it was again Marty out on top and unstoppable. Wolford tucked in behind him for the second with Guth in third.

Miller, not content to rest on his laurels, took on the Open Pro class and came up with another double whammy. Mark Rawley gave him a good battle in the first moto. Miller again maintained under pressure and Rawley had to settle for the second. Dean Wilkinson came up with the third.

Thing got stirred up in the final moto. Miller again got the holeshot with John Mattocks off in second and Rawley in third. On lap three Callaway put the move on Rawley, dropping him to fourth, but that was short lived because on lap four Wilkinson came out of nowhere and passed both Callaway and Rawley, and Mark followed suit, passing Callaway, to still hold his fourth. Callaway in the meantime had dropped to sixth and was having his

problems. When the checkered fell it was Miller, Mattocks and Wilkinson, with second overall going to Wilkinson and third to Rawley.

The Open Intermediate was an interesting race as it is a class that has been racing against the same guys week after week. It was Tony Feldhaus who was off on top in the first moto with Jim Garton in the second slot. On the third lap Garton ran into trouble and Pryor Campbell took full advantage to lock into second. Joe Price moved to third and that was the order of finish.

In the second moto, Price had it off the line, held everyone through the hills but met his Waterloo when he hit the infield. Trying a different line in the turn that approaches the TT jump, he went high on the outside, couldn't hold it and went down. That was all Feldhaus needed as he took over the lead with Campbell in second and Garton in third. They finished overall in that order.

Jim Scott took the win in the 250 Novice class and did it the hard way. In the first moto it was Wayne Bentley who put it all together with Scott second and Rick Chavez third. Scott got his sweet revenge in the second go 'round as he brought it home first with Bentley in second and Lee Palmer third. This set up a first place tie going into the final moto. It was Palmer that shot out in front with Scott hot on his heels and Bentley in third. Scott didn't catch Palmer but he did hold off Bentley to take the win by one point from him. Palmer rounded out the field with third.

It was another undefeated night for the mighty North High School team as they racked up the points over Arlington, Chino, Colton and Montclair. Two outstanding riders for North came up with double wins. They were Wade Hodge and Dennis Wooldridge.

Wooldridge picked up his wins at opposite ends riding both 100 Novice and Open Novice. It was a clean sweep in the 100 class with Cray Creason of Colton and Sheldon Karesh of Montclair taking it down to the wire in a tie which Cray broke when he came home second to take second overall by one point from Sheldon. It was a repeat in the Open Novice battle as John Cline and Zack Peterson, both of Montclair, played follow the leader to Wooldridge.

Hodge didn't have it quite so easy in the 125 class. He did win the first two but Alan Chiumenata of Arlington was pushing to change things around. He had a second the first moto, blew it the second round, and came back strong in the final to take the win. The overall went to Hodges with Chiumenata second and Terry Franks, another North rider, in third. Hodges didn't mess around in the 175 Intermediate and went out and won three straight. Ron Rich of Colton had his name on second but a DNF in the third moto took him out of the picture and North rider Mike Seeger picked it up.

North and Arlington both fielded large Powder Puff teams and they were well matched. Loni Anderson of Arlington put it all together for her team but her perfect score was shattered when her own teammate, Debbie Atchison came alive the final moto with a win. She had had her problems earlier and even with her super ride in the final moto could do no better than fourth. Yvette Lyle of North had second with a 2-2-3 score and Karen Bergkvist, also of North, was third. ●

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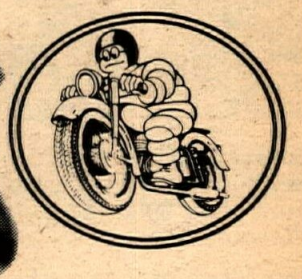

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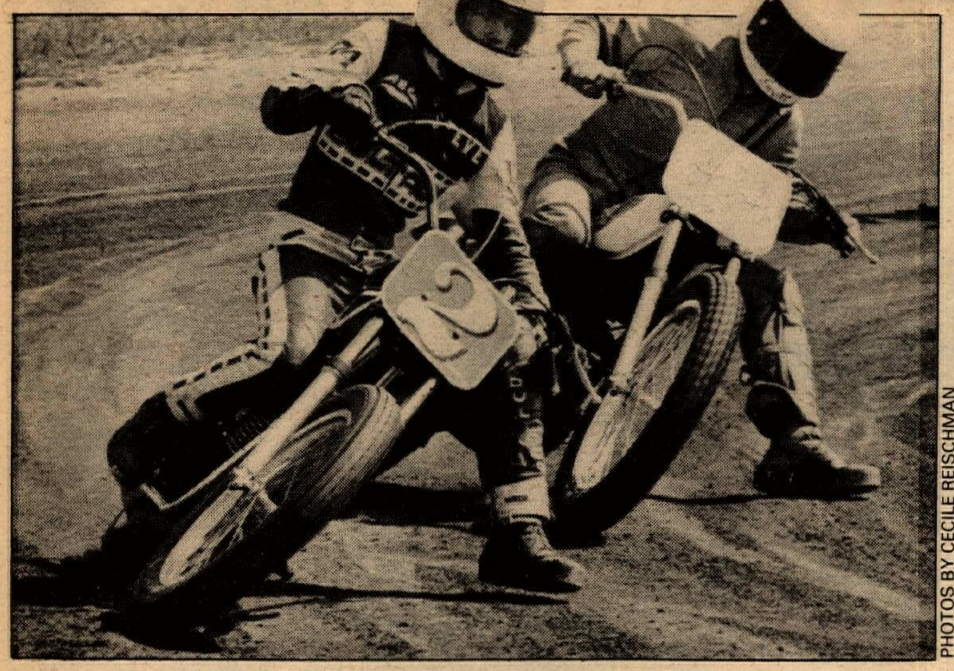

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(Above) 250 heat and main winner Steve Monger (2) holds Scott Cude at bay during their heat. (Below) John Burnett (17) has his moment of glory in front of his 500cc heat. Joe Schmidt (25n), Bill Johnson (9), and Terry Geller (28f) pursue.

First D-35 Invitational TT Qualifier held

By Cosmic Cat & Co.

PORTERVILLE, CA, MAR. 20

The first of eight District-35 qualifying races for the September Tulare Invitational TT was held at the Spinners track. Novice, Juniors, and Experts ran with each other in heats in the seven classes but at the end of the day, riders complained of the advancement procedures to the mains, especially from the semis. (In the 250 class there were seven semis with the winners going to the mains.) So, after the races, D-35 officials talked about streamlining transfer procedures to the mains. Things should run smoother at the April 24th qualifier at the Fresno Fairgrounds.

As expected, Experts dominated the mains with an occasional Junior appearing in the top three. Expert Rob Ely (Yam) took the Mini main in convincing style, leading all the way. Second placer Robert Land (Yam) was closing through laps two and three but bobbled in the sweeper, and was no further threat. Junior Brian Yocum (Yam) was third.

The 100cc class points went to Mike Garrison (Yam), the third heat winner. Garrison won by 30 bike lengths, followed by Mike Vital (Hod) and Junior Robert Torres.

Scott Podergois (Yam) led the 125cc main twice after first turn mishaps called for restarts. On the third restart, only one rider went down — ironically it was Podergois. This time it was Scott Cude (Yam) on the point followed by Rodney Sullivan (Yam) and Duane Snell (Yam). Cude led through lap two with Sullivan close behind and Gary Long (Yam) taking third in the right hander. Sullivan grabbed the lead on lap three and went on for the win but was still pressured by Cude, who wouldn't drop off the pace. Long stayed in the third spot.

The 250cc winner at last year's Tulare Invitational, Steve Monger (Yam), was also the 250cc front runner today. Monger took an enormous holeshot and stretched it into a 20-length cushion at the checkers. In the fight for second, Bob Garrison (Yam) took the place from Joey Brown (Yam) on the first lap and Jim Birkle (Yam) dropped Brown another position on lap two. Birkle chased Garrison through laps two and three and finally went by for second on the fourth lap.

Number Two Blue Plate Kenny Welch (Suz) took the 500cc main trophy leading the entire race. Jeff Martin (Yam) was second and Number One Blue Plate Scott Dinkins (Yam) worked up from a bad start to take third.

Bob Young (Tri) grabbed the Open main lead from Bud Sturgill (Yam) on the first lap and sped on to the win uncontested. Sturgill remained in second while Jim Turner (Tri) finished third. ●

Results in Results Section.

Spencer — Morton duel at Sand Hill

By T. Houser

BRENTWOOD, CA, MAR. 20

In the 125 Junior race, Jim Morton on the Yamaha was first in the first moto, riding handlebar to handlebar with Mike Spencer. In the second moto, Spencer got the jump on Morton and proceeded to win the competition. Morton and Spencer both knew they'd had a good race. Spencer turned and smiled at Morton, shook hands and they congratulated each other.

Mini Intermediate rider "Mighty Mike" Holmes kept Dennis Houser behind him in second place. In the Mini Novice Div. Gary Johnson had a good ride, taking both motos for his first. Chris Pluta was second on a Suzuki and Rick Olson third. Brent Davis pulled a fourth overall and a new rider, Kirk Olson, got fifth for his very first time racing.

Larry Anderson's second and first in the motos gave him the overall win in the 125 Intermediate class, beating out Mike Newman.

Jeff Timmerman was first in the first moto of the 250 Ex race, but DNF'd the second moto. Rick Lewis won the second moto for his overall win and Skip Ortner was second. Open Experts Steve Marusic and BillCalicura had bad luck with DNFs. Calicura had broken spokes on the rear wheel. ●

Results in Results Section.

Montogmery tops Crane at Sand Hill MX

By T. Houser

BRENTWOOD, CA, MAR. 18

Mike Montgomery (Yam) was the man to beat in the 125 Expert race during Sand Hill's Friday night motocross. Phil Crane out of J & J Cycle, Concord, was second until he fell trying to catch Montgomery. The lead changed several times as Greg Greener tried for it until he fell. Dave Woodall (Suz) finished the event in second. The track had been underwater Friday morning; it was rough riding by evening.

In the 250 Expert race, Mike Hersman won the first moto with ease, but in the final moto fell going into the sweeper trying to pass Elrod on the Villa. Jeff Timmerman (KTM) all the way from Carmichael, Ca. ran second.

The fast blackplate No. 12, Donnie Taylor, was the winner again this week on his Yamaha in the Open Expert class. Phil Anderson shot to the outside on the TT Yamaha and grabbed the lead, but faded back to third. Steve Maruscio on the Maico closed ground on Taylor in the final moto for second.

PHOTO BY MIKE KINSELLA

Phil Kramer rode his KTM to a two-minute lead over his nearest competitor at Sand Hill Ranch's Hare Scrambles.

Open Junior Gary Hooper took both motos for his overall win with Scott Land second. Mike Underhill, the winner two weeks in a row, could not get his Yamaha together to do any better than fourth overall.

Intermediate rider, Carl Nunes rode his Yamaha for a first in both motos in the 125 class; Mark Howard 250 was a close second. Tony Shipman took the 250 win away from Sherman Wong by winning the second moto on his Husky.

The Odysseys put on a good show, with young Dave Thurmond winning the trophy. The Trophy Dash was in the Mini Novice category tonight with Gary Pimentel winning the big trophy and honors from trophy girl, Kim Britz. There was an all-comers Mini Money Race with 15 riders and Dennis Houser won it. ●

Results in Results Section.

D-36 Hare Scrambles: Kramer and KTM dominate Hollister Hills race

By Mike Kinsella

HOLLISTER HILLS ORV PK., CA, MAR. 27

Phil Kramer piloted his KTM 250 to another victory this Sunday. The 15-year-old rider took first in class with a two minute lead over his closest competition. Kramer also took home the overall trophy for the fastest lap time in the race. Phil began riding Hare Scrambles a few months ago and after a few injuries and some tuning in, began to work his way upward to Expert status. He also rides District 36 enduros — so watch out!

Second place overall Lynn Ritner (Suz) grabbed back to back first place trophies in the Open Expert and in the 125 Amateur/Expert classes. He borrowed his wife's 100cc machine to run the 125 race and by the terms of the loan he's got to do the dishes this week — wash *and* dry. Lynn is the District's Enduro Steward.

Phil Rice (Yam) motored to a close second in the Open Expert, challenging Ritner but not quite able to pass him. Phil had a little run-in with Dick Mann at Sand Hill Ranch earlier this month during the Euro Scrambles. They got tangled up and crashed; Mann went on to trophy. Phil didn't do so well — this week's trophy pumped him up a little.

The brothers Bob and Jim Farris carried the 250 Novice department on their matching Can-Ams while Old Timers John Mason (Yam) and Bob Porter (Hus) were first and second in the over-40 hot shoes crowd. Fred Mazingo (Suz) picked up first in the Veteran Amateur/Expert class. Fred Guzzi (Yam) took first and Sam Ramey took second on his KTM in the Veteran Novice group. Ramey's son Shane, who is a keen competitor in the 250 Expert class and Phil Kramer's main challenger, has had mechanical problems lately — so his dad's trophy at least keeps it in the family.

The Two Plus Two M/C organized this event which was attended by about 120 riders. They laid out a 12 mile course on the Upper Ranch of the ORV park. (The upper area is reserved for competitive events and Four Wheelers.) The land is available and Northern California clubs should use it for their events when applicable.

The course was pretty decent; variable terrain, just a little dust and good course control. There were a couple of loose, rocky downhills which kind of reminded a rider of an enduro and a couple of motocross-type sections. Everything was fast, or was meant to be gone over at a fast clip. The only thing that was lacking was a little rain the day before. ●

Startup season starter is tough on equipment

By Esther McAllister

STARTUP, WA, MAR. 27

The season opener at Startup M/C Park was a real test of man and machine. The current drought was definitely not in evidence as the weather ran the gamut — hail, snow, rain and even a few brief moments of bright sunshine.

Of the 130 riders that signed up several were forced to call it a day after practice and the first motos took their toll of riders out due to equipment problems. By the second go-around each class had been greatly reduced.

Having found a line that afforded some traction, Scott Morton (Yam) of Lake Stevens, WA, plowed his way through the mud for the win in the Open Pro class. Scott Cameron (Yam) persevered for second place.

Bultaco-mounted Dan Brown made it look almost easy as he maneuvered the course for first in the 250 Pro class, ahead of Duke Coleman (Suz).

After swapping the lead a time or two, Scot Templeman (Suz) managed to take the checkered ahead of Mel McCormick (Suz) for the 125 Pro win.

Results in Results Section.

Hurst cashes in at chilly Corvallis Indoor

By Robyn Fisher

CORVALLIS, OR, MAR. 12

It was a night of spills and chills, but no serious injuries to the racers. Lots of chills for spectators.

Fisher and Smith, the only Mini Beginners racing this night, had to battle it out with the Mini Experts. Scratching for the Mini lead, Andy Bruhn (Yam) upset high point rider Brian Loesch (Yam) in the Mini Main. Once again Jeff Celorie (Kaw) ran away with the 100cc class.

As Billy Oliver (Bul) made his bid to pass under Brad Hurst (Yam), coming out of turn two in the final laps of the Pro Main, Oliver's front wheel washed out, leaving Hurst to thunder (?) on to take the win. Following in second and third were Donnie (the Flash) Smith (Hus) and Rick Oliver (Bul), who is riding more like older brother Billy every day. *(But not falling down . . . Ed.)* ●

Results in Results Section.

Riders flock to preview Hangtown

By Sallee Hilton

PLYMOUTH, CA, MAR. 20

The last race at Plymouth before the April 9 & 10 Hangtown Classic brought riders from far and near. This day was also the last opportunity for Old-Timers to ride at Plymouth before their "Hangtown Hangover" (A special two day event to be run the weekend following "Hangtown" for Old Timers and Vets only.) The Old Timers showed up in force with top honors going to Expert Larry Johnson who worked his way to the front in both motos. Elmer Kraus (Hon) took both firsts in the Novice class, although G.E. Bansemer and Ronald Neubauer, sharing seconds and thirds, kept their Yamahas fairly close.

In the first 250 Expert moto Ron Junkert, for Rancho Cordova Suzuki, and David Wood, on a brand new Yamaha, jumped out front of third place Dave Longcor (Bul). Wood stayed close enough behind Junkert to be eating the dirt clods off his rear wheel, but couldn't ever get by him. The 35 riders were well spread around the course. Pat Richter (Suz), favored to win, had crashed just off the start and was dead last. He managed to pick his way through the pack up to a 12th place finish.

Wood got the holeshot in the second moto but it wasn't long before Longcor sped by. Junkert was running third and the three were close. Richter was gassin' and went by all of them before the end of the second lap. He never got far ahead of Longcor, but stayed out front to win the moto. Wood was third with Phil Crane (Suz) trying to chase him down.

Richter pulled away from the pack of 125 Experts in both rounds. The first time out, Richter got the lead right off the start and the next four riders were in second! When they finally got themselves sorted out the finish order (after Richter) went; Jim Lesniewski (Suz), Phil Crane (Suz), Donnie Cantaloupi (Yam), Mike Montgomery (Yam).

In the second moto Tim Worth (Suz) and Crane each had turns at leading before Richter went by them and ran away. Crane ended up with second, Worth third, Cantaloupi another fourth and Lesniewski fifth.

George Holland, Mini Expert, rode his fully tricked Honda to such a distinctive win he made a shambles out of the race. On the track together were 100cc Novices, Juniors and Experts, and 80cc Juniors and Experts. Holland left them all behind.

More girls showed up to compete in the Powder Puff class. Vivian Curtis (Yam) took home first place in the Expert class and Elizabeth Power was the top Novice rider. ●

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Action was intense at Mt. View MX coming . . . and going.

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(Above) Charlie Halcomb (17) held off Kipp Classen in the second 250 Expert moto until the last lap. (Below) The 125 Amateur class blasts off the line for their second Watsonville moto.

MX and GP on same day at Mt. View

By Jan Newman

SANDY, OR, MAR. 20

Last week's rains scared off so many riders that there was time for a 45-minute GP (won by Clay Azar) after the regular moto program. Those who didn't sack in late Sunday found the track drying to a perfect surface, as not a drop fell during the day.

Claude Meyer (Yam) was the lone Mini rider to sign up. He was dubious when asked if he wanted to compete with the 100 Juniors but opted to try. It paid off — he came in second. Wayne Trosper (Suz) dominated the class.

Kevin Ford (Yam) was out first in the first 125 Junior moto but Mark Smalley (Hon) was anchored on his rear fender. Midway through, Mark gained the lead for the win. Moto two found Smalley in front until he lost his chain on the finish jump with two laps to go. Ford took the win.

George Madaris and Gary Frazier diced it out in the first 250 Junior race, both on Zookies. In the final lap John Scheurer zapped them both. Gary came back for a win, George was second and John third in a three-way point tie.

Once again Bob Williams showed only the back view of his Suzuki to the rest of the Old Timers. Jim Newman was second in the first race until he launched his KTM into a puddle. He and the bike both floated like an anchor. Round two found Dick Burgett on a 125 Yamaha in second with both Bill Downey and Bill Naylor on big bore Yamahas trying to get by him. They managed to get by each other occasionally in their search for a line around Burgett but he just motored on. On the final lap, Naylor went upside down and at last Downey found a hole Burgett couldn't plug.

The small turnout left some spare time, so a Grand Prix was organized for all who cared or dared to ride for 45 minutes. The Pros were handicapped one lap at the outset so all could start at once.

Twenty riders left the line and 45 minutes later fifteen surprised themselves by finishing. Pro Clay Azar was the overall winner. It took Azar 38 minutes to lap Dick Rolli to gain the extra lap and the lead. Dick Burgett and his 125 Yamaha surprised everyone by finishing at all and he nabbed sixth place. Rolli and Burgett had both already competed in two classes. ●

Berringer, Farris, Bright win Husqvarnas

By Sallee Hilton

DIXON, CA, MAR. 20

The final race of BOSS MX six-race Husky Series was held at Argyll Park in Dixon. The three new Husqvarnas were offered courtesy of BOSS, Husky West and Jerome White of Carson City, with one bike for each Juniors/Intermediates class (125, 250, and Open).

Mike Bright, a Suzuki rider from Vallejo, took both motos for another first in the Open Intermediate class, winning the Husky, and also advancing him to the Expert ranks for his next time out!

Beating five riders in close contention for the 125 class win, Rod Berringer of Fair Oaks took the Husky with the help of his Suzuki. Berringer will now be riding as an Intermediate.

In another close contest for the 250 class, Bryan Farris (Mai), came from behind to take the win and the bike. Bryan is from Citrus Heights, and will be moved up to Intermediate.

David Woodall (Suz) took the overall win in the 125 Pro class with a first and second finish. Pat Yoho (Yam), after finishing second in the first round, just missed cashing in for second overall when he blew his bike's gear box in the final minutes of the second moto, while running third. The second place money went to Robert Norton (Hon) who had a bad first moto but came back strong to win the second.

John Minor (Suz) and Mike Hersman (Hus) each had a moto win in the 250 Pro class. Minor followed his win with a third to pick up the top cash. Second place pay went to Dean Wiggins (Mai).

Ted Rogers (KTM) with two firsts and Tony Bouscal (Mai) with two seconds got the Open Pro money.

Results in Results Section.

Ridgerunners open fourth year of motocross

By Gerry Reagan

WATSONVILLE, CA, MAR. 20

The Ridgerunners MC of Santa Cruz opened their fourth season of Semi Pro motocross with over 300 riders showing up at the County Fairgrounds. The track, idle all winter, was grassy and soft as the riders began practice. A few changes had been made, like the "staircase" downhill and the tight, first gear, off camber turn before the back straight, making it even more challenging.

First off the line were the Veterans and Old Timers with Paul Eaton (Suz) sweeping both motos. Then it was the 100cc Novice class where Kirk Woods ran away and hid.

The 125 Experts put on a super show with Neal Snarr (Yam), Paul Turner (Suz), Mike Marquez (Suz) and Jeff Watts battling each other. In the first moto it was Snarr taking the win followed closely by Marquez with Turner finishing fourth and Watts fifth. In the second moto Snarr again got an early lead, but Turner got by at the end of the first lap and began to slowly pull away. Watts was third with Marquez close behind and the two began to pressure Snarr. By the end of the moto Marquez had slipped by Watts a couple of times, only to be passed again himself. Snarr had dropped back, giving Turner an easy win. Snarr's first and second gave him the overall.

Kent Woods (Suz) got the holeshot in the 125 Amateur race, moto two, with Dale Pirlo (Yam) close behind. Pirlo continued to pressure for the first couple of laps but bobbled on lap three, allowing Mike Schalow (Suz) to get by. Schalow, winner of the first moto, began to pursue Woods and was beginning to close the gap when the checkered fell in front of Woods. Schalow still got the overall with Woods taking second.

The Open Expert race was probably the most exciting of the day. Kent Classen was in the lead at the end of the first moto on his KTM but Gary Murphy and Dean Brooks, both on Maicos, were right on his tailpipe. In the second moto all three riders again charged out of the first turn as if they were one and began to pull away from the pack. Classen seemed to have the speed on the straights but Brooks was able to outbrake him going into the turns and all the time Murphy was right there waiting for an opening. They ended the race in a mad dash down the hill for the line. Brooks held on for first, but Classen took the overall on points.

There were eight classes of Novice riders. In 125 Novice, Division Two, Dave Dickey (Yam) ran off with the first moto; and almost didn't win the second, having to do battle with Doug Krikorian (Suz) who he finally passed on the last lap. Rod Hines (Bul), Brian

White (KTM) and Kirk Woods (C-A) put on a good race in the 250 Novice event with Woods and White swapping moto finishes. Hines took the overall win.

The sun was getting low on the horizon as the last race of the day got underway. Buddy Latham (Suz) took the overall in that event (Open Novice, Division Two), putting in a fine ride. Mike Sotero and Doug Swarthout, both on Suzukis, changed places in the moto finishes and took second and third overall. ●

Results in Results Section.

Haney triples at Pioneer D-36 Scrambles

By Ann Carr

OAKDALE, CA, MAR. 27

Seaside's Jeff Haney extended his throttle hold on the AMA District-36 #1 Scrambles plate for next season, as well as the Valley Racing Association (VRA) Gold Plate, by streaking his K&R machinery to main event wins in both the 125 and Open Expert main events. Haney topped off the day by taking first place money in the King of the Pond final. Closest competitor blue plate #12 Don Taylor took seconds in the Open and Pond events.

Exciting and close racing happened in the 125 Novice ranks in heats, semis, and mains. Salida's Stacy Tuers, aboard an A&D Yamaha, dialed starter Gerry Carr all day and streaked from his fence starting postion to a wire-to-wire main victory. Stacy received close challenges from Sacramento's Rick Rogers, Modesto's Kurt Strait, and Stockton's David West.

The 125 Junior main was dominated by former Mini Experts Dale Hansen and Brad Summers, who jumped to the front and held off repeated charges from more experienced racers to finish 1-2.

Rough scrambles racing will continue at Pioneer on April 17 and 24 with a move to smooth Scrambles on May 1. ●

Results in Results Section.

Wilsons beat minis, Lollar gets the breaks at Action Raceway

By L. Moore

CORNING, CA, MAR. 13

There were 25 Minis lined up at the starting gate, and Wade Wilson (Suz) had the Mini Expert class sewed up, both motos. Then his brother Brad Wilson (Suz) had a first overall in the Mini Junior class.

A new face in the 100 Novice class (out of retirement from Burney, CA), Randy Cotney (Suz) gave local favorite Scott Dorman (Yam) a run for the money. Cotney took first overall.

The 250 Novice was a full class. Dan Frisbie (Hus) took a first in the first moto and a second in the second moto. Keith Tabb (Suz) took a first in the second moto, giving him a second on points.

Lots of breakdowns in 125 Intermediates. Local favorite Castleman (Yam) was on his way to a

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Dave Hansen set fast time in winning Heat Two at Seattle.

first in the first moto when a broken hub on the last lap put him out. Lance Lollar (Suz) won, Tim Mulvely (Suz) was second. In the second moto Castleman (aboard on a fixed bike, or so he though) had another break. Overall points put Ollar in first place and Mulvey in second. ●

Results in Results Section.

Juniors "tangle" at off-season Monterey Short Track

By Burt Dinner

MONTEREY, CA, MAR. 19

A specially-held March event (normal "season" for Monterey ST is June to October) brought racers out of the woodwork, including a record 250 Expert turnout and an extra-large spectator crowd.

Larry Tholcke had a first in the Junior 125, edging out "Oh Johnny" Mason, who started from the "cheaters" line. Tholcke came back to gain a second in the 360 class behind Bill Ripley (Bul).

Chuck Fischer (Yam) went from start to finish to take the Novice 200. The 250 Junior race had the first three finishers crashing at the finish line. After untangling the mess it was determined that Ryan Seidel won. After changing leads four or five times, Steve Martin (Yam) finally outlasted Matt Nottenkamper (Suz) in the Novice 100.

A record turnout of 250 Experts had the crowd on their feet. Geoff Lowe (C-A) edged out Manuel Datan (Yam) with Steve Harvey (Yam) coming from last place, with one lap to go, to take third. ●

Results in Results Section.

Gennai smiles to pay window in Northwest Indoor Series

By W. H. Spencer

In four nights, Bultaco-mounted John Gennai took three of four rounds of Indoor Short Track in the Pacific Northwest, winning an extra $500 along with the finale at Seattle Coliseum. Gary Tonda tried to give Gennai a run for the bonus bucks but fell in the Seattle final.

Portland, OR, March 23

There was trouble brewing from the first early practice. The promoters had planned to run AMA rules, but it was obvious from the sight of 400 Suzukis and 350-plus XL Hondas that the 250 rule wasn't to be for real. Any new spectator saw some fine racing, although the radio ads had indicated some sort of "mechanized rollerball."

The Junior/Expert heats were all thrillers. Rick Hocking easily won the first over Randy Skiver's Can-Am. Gary Tonda lined up on the pole for the second heat and banked around the first turn in front of Rick Delacy for the win. Dave Hansen won the third heat with Pat McCaul bowling his way through the tenpins for second. John Gennai swooped round four over Movin' Mike Caves, who drove across the country with his pooch. Billy Hofmeister brought out a Minnesota Bultaco to win the fifth heat over Ken Celorie.

When the Novice heats were posted, no indication was given about transfers. One Semi had 16 riders and when the scorers finally quit, there were no official results. After much badgering from riders and family, a suggestion came from the audience: How about running the main from heat finishes? It went down that way.

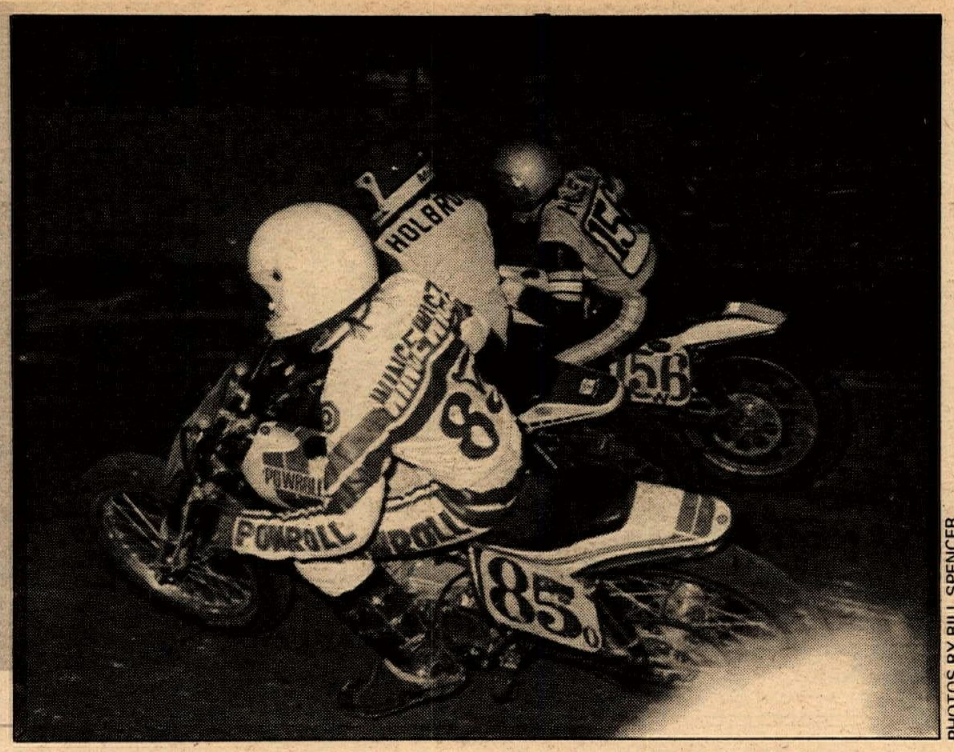
Sal Hoffman led the Novice Main most of the way, but it was Mike Kunsman the winner on a Martin Cycle Ossa. Hoffman caught up on the white flag lap when Kunsman nearly got off while trying to lap a backmarker who looked like a refugee from the Vikings' Special Unit — riding with more elbow than talent.

The Junior/Expert Main lined up with a few spare bodies and much confusion. Finally the riders agreed on a match race flagged by Rick Hocking and reffed by Randy Skiver. Pat McCaul was the last man into the main. ●

Gary Tonda led out a post-crash restart with Hocking pressing. It was a truckin' convoy for most, as Mickey Fay moved up for a third.

Corvallis, OR, March 24

Dirt tires and lots of fun in this Rob Muzzey show. Novice Semis were won by John Wincewicz and Mike Adair, setting the stage for a 15-lap Main. Jeff Celorie won that, leaving Wincewicz disqualified for rough riding.



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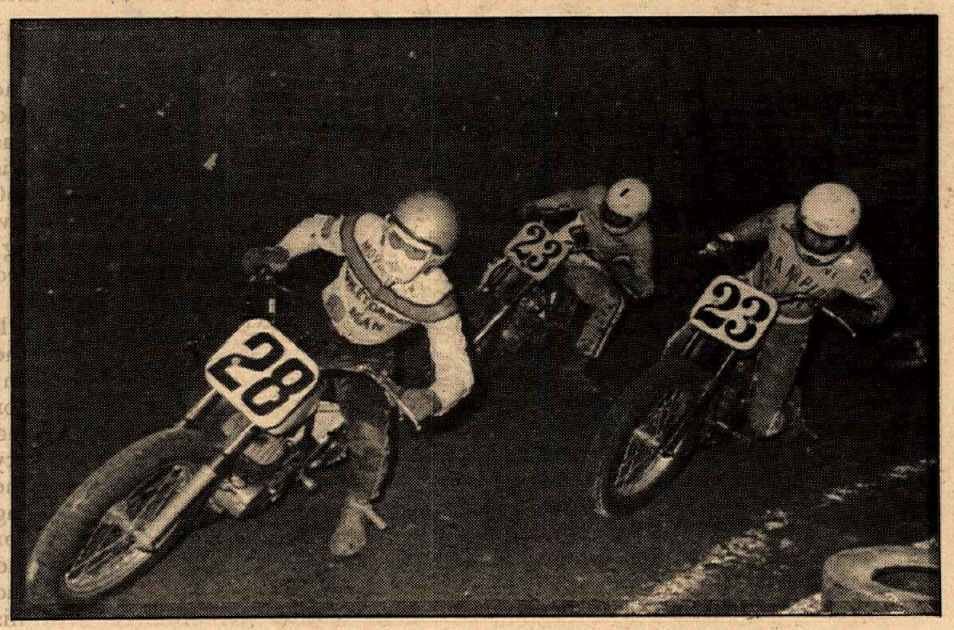
(Above) Novice John Wincewicz won his Semi at Corvallis. In the main, Jeff Celorie (not shown) won, with Wincewicz disqualified for rough riding. (Below) Movin' Mike Caves (28) leads Dave Hansen (23) and Jeff Campbell.



Jeff Campbell was hot for the Junior/Expert show, setting fast time and winning the Trophy Dash; but come main event time, John Gennai just plain swooped 'em. Gennai led each lap ahead of Brad Hurst. Hocking crashed over Rick Delacy and Tonda just crashed.

Vancouver, B.C., March 25

The Agrodome was sparsely attended. While organization was better, the timing clock immediately malfunctioned, and riders had to settle for manual timing. The four heats went to Hocking, Delacy, Mickey Fay and Gennai. Pat McCaul tried his bowling-ball trick on Delacy but it backfired. Jim Reed copped the Novice Main as Mike Kunsman had to feather back to keep from running Reed over.

The 15-lap Junior/Expert Main started out with Gennai from the middle as Hocking and Fay nearly got the starter standing in their line. Tonda held second after moving Delacy wide, while Mickey Fay and Hocking fought a tooth-and-nailer for fourth/fifth.

The $500 bonus became a cliff-hanger with Gennai one point up on Tonda and Hocking, and only Seattle to go.

Seattle, WA, March 25

The slippery, polished surface in the Coliseum took a lot of running on to get any traction. Rick Hocking lost his second and last motor during practice; and couldn't find a replacement. Heat races were quick and straightforward with Gennai coming off fifth fastest time to beat Tonda in round one. Hansen's Champion Can-Am set fast heat in No. Two; Pat McCaul dialed in No. 3. Heat four was a problem when on the white flag lap with Delacy firmly in control, Mike Caves set up straight in the first turn and blasted the K & L Supply Yamaha to the hockey rink boards. Delacy was in the wrong place; and after much yelling, had Caves eliminated for rough riding. The crowd loved it.

The Trophy Dash went to Tonda along with one point to tie up the $500 Bonus Fund. In the first Semi, Tonda found himself in the outside slot. When the green flew, it appeared as a dollar sign for Gennai, who won easily over Fay and McCaul. Tonda missed the transfer slot, but all was not lost. Hansen smoked Randy Skiver in a slower heat, so Tonda got the first alternate slot.

Andy Bruhn became the new Mini winner over Tom McCallum while Tom DeCoy rode a very smooth Novice Main to hold off Mike Kunsman.

Lining up the Junior/Expert Main brought out only nine riders as Jim Mertens loaded up, and Tonda was jubilant. It was to no avail, Gennai smoked all comers. Tonda moved through traffic to eventually wind up on the ground while Gennai smiled all the way to the pay window. ●

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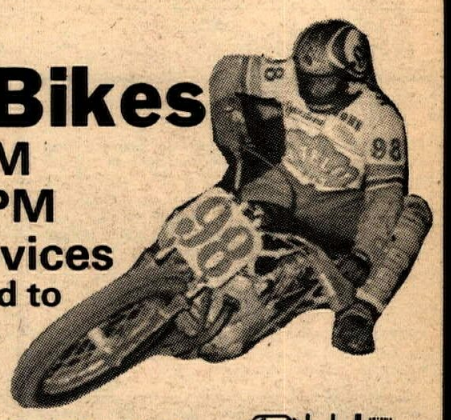

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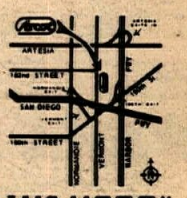

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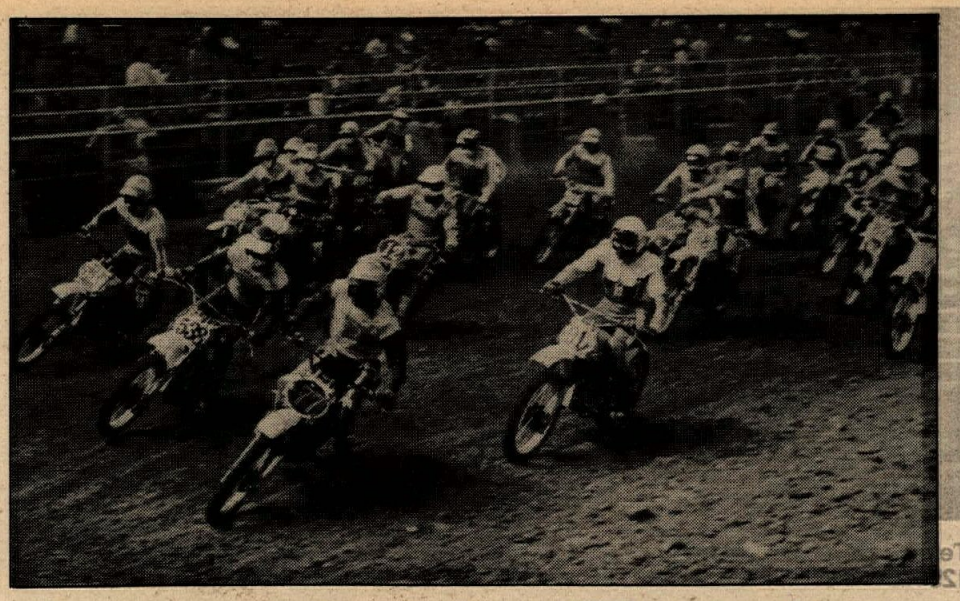

Texans Billy Harrison (534) and Rick Blackwell (538) move in on Cajun Scott Simmons (77) at the start of a 250 Expert eliminator heat at the Astrodome.

1,150 Amateur invade Houston Astrodome for GNC Final

By Pete Szilagyi

HOUSTON, TX, MAR. 20

What began eight months ago as a seemingly farfetched idea — an amateur motocross series with finals at the Houston Astrodome — culminated today with what was probably the largest and most ambitious motocross event in history, the Grand National Championship finale.

Some 1,150 riders, competing for $10,000 in cash and trophies, as well as contingencies from American Honda and several manufacturers of motocross accessories, participated in GNC championships and, in the process, turned the Astrodome parking lot and nearby motels into their private party grounds. With them they brought a couple million dollars worth of motor homes and vans, enough parents, buddies and girlfriends to fill a medium-size city, and enough beer and Gatorade to end the California drought.

To qualify for the finals nearly 3,000 riders entered qualifying races, most of them held in late 1976, at 24 different tracks in states stretching from New Mexico to Florida. In all, there were over 12,000 entries in the qualifying series. Riders came from as far north as Ohio and Pennsylvania and as far south as Peru. To communicate with them throughout the series cost the promoter about 20,000 bucks in postage.

The finals were held on the Sunday following the Friday and Saturday night AMA Supercross series races and used basically the same Astrodome track layout. Immediately following the Saturday night Supercross event, The grounds crew went to work on the GNC track, reducing the size of a couple of the jumps and bypassing some of the turns that had caused traffice to back up during the pro races.

Promptly at 7 a.m. Sunday practice began. Motos started at 9 a.m. and ran in rapid succession until 10 p.m. that night with only two 30-minute intermissions to manicure the track.

Scoring was a modified version of the new Supercross format, with riders competing in a series of elimination races to determine the 24 riders in each of the 12 classes who would ride in the finals. There were no consolation races as such, but middle echelon heat race finishers were allowed to race in a second series of elimination motos to get a chance at the finals.

Many of the several thousand spectators, among them members of civic groups, boys clubs and charitable organizations who were given free tickets, stayed for the entire 13 hours of racing and the subsequent trophy and cash presentation, presided over by Jimmy Ellis, winner of the previous night's Supercross event. Ellis, Pomeroy, Hannah and the reat can keep a crowd on its feet, but they can't match the circus conducted by, say, a few dozen 125 Novices on the tight Astrodome track. One of the goals of GNC National Director Jerry Surber, A Houstonite who by the light of day is a regional sales manager for the Ford Motor Co., was to introduce stadium motocross to the public on a more grass roots level than the Supercross series, hence the free tickets. (When you have 60,000 seats to fill, you can afford to be generous.) It was apparently a success. On that Sunday neither paid nor comp admissions would have gone back to their TV's to watch Marlin Perkins wrestle the Loch Ness monster, and a few Boy Scouts who snuck up to the mezzanine level would have traded all their merit badges for just one more moto.

Emerging as winners of the Expert races were several riders who undoubtedly caught the eye of factory reps attending the races. Ricky Blackwell, an Austin, Texas, rider who is partially sponsored on a 250 Penton by Penton Central, rode most of the 250 Expert final in third place behind Bill Moyer and the Kippy Pierce from Seminole, Fla. On the second from the last lap Blackwell edged a wheel inside Moyer and headed after Pierce's Suzuki, but Pierce was still long gone at the finish. Dicky Turnbo and Billy Harrison, two well-known Texas experts, were behind Moyer.

PHOTOS BY DAVE NIELSEN

Texans Derek Wedding (33), Jerry Kamp (176) and Jimmy Jones (44) lead a 125 Novice banzai heat race.

The Open Expert final was a walkaway for Blackwell, however. Aboard a new Yamaha, he won both of his elimination motos and strolled away from Oklahoman Trey Jorski (Pen) in the final by nearly 100 yards. Jorski is a former AMA pro rider. They were followed by Ricky Black and Mitch Milson, who also finish eight in the 250 Expert finale. Mark Purdue was fifth and another AMA pro rider, Darrell Hollingshead (Hus) was sixth.

Pierce, now on a Yamaha, swapped with Mississippisn Bill Cummins (Hon) throughout the 125 Expert finals, but neither could catch up with Jim Haynes (Suz), another Floridan, nor David Martin (Hon) for second or third. Pierce edged Cummins for fifth, and the overall winner was Guy Urquart (Yam), who was riding in his first race after spending several months in a leg cast.

Summarizing the Novice races:

MINI JR: Despite a "Polish wheelie" that landed him on his nose, Craig Raymond (Yam) was able to maintain second behind Todd Bray (Yam). Almost sneaking past Raymond was Ronnie Warman (Suz).

MINI SR: David Weak (Yam) of Omaha, Neb. got the holeshot and cruised the rest of the way towing second and third finishers, Terry Nall (Yam) and Stormy Gartrell (Yam).

MINI 105: Pedro Perales, who placed in three classes, rode his Yamaha to a 30-yard win. Following the Tennesseean were Clay Cauthorn (Yam) and Jerry Surber, Jr. (Hon), the promoter's son and a pretty rapid kid.

100cc: Mike Walcott (Suz) appeared to be opening up a good lead, but Bobby Fannon (Hon) passed the Texan and strolled to a sizeable lead. Third behind Walcott was Pedro Perales.

125 NOVICE: Kerry Perales (Hon), Pedro's brother, was unchallenged from the gate, but second place finisher Reid King had a good scrap with Derek Wedding.

125 INT: In a race marred by a starting gate malfunction and many minor but traffic clogging crashes, David woods had to dog and finally pass Donny Guillory (Suz) for the win. Harry Heinze was third.

250 NOVICE: Guy Allen's Suzuki cruised from start to finish in the lead. Billy Prevost from the Baton Rouge bayous (KTM(finished a wheel ahead of Shane Book.

250 INT: Mickey Whetzel from Clemmons, N.C. enjoyed a easy win, but Terry Martz, a Pennsylvania Maico rider, and Mark Dennison, and Oklahoman aboard a Yamaha, had a passing contest for second with Martz the winner.

OPEN NOVICE-INT: There was no passing among the rop three riders for the duration of the finale, but you could have thrown a towel over the three of them: as the finished--Danny Pennington, a hometown boy on a Maico, Bob Cargo from Florida on a Yamaha, and Bob Bittner form New Jersey on a Suzuki. •

Big bore Experts Darrel Hollingshead (37), Trey Jorski (49) and Mitch Milson (3) ride through the tunnel esses.

Wendell Woolard of Oklahoma showed good speed and possible Divine guidance, but still didn't win the Open class.

Jack Todd, back from Winter Nationals, takes two S.R.A.C. seconds

By Linda Donelson

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO, MAR. 27 Jack Todd, leader of the Budda Head Racing Team, managed two second overall finishes in 250 and Open classes at Aztec Raceway.

As the 250 Expert class was called to the gate for their first moto, Todd said "Today I feel great, and the bike is running super."

The gate dropped and it was a sprint to the first corner, with Todd (Town & Country Suzuki) pulling ahead. Just as the pack reached the corner, Arlo Englund (Bill Thomas Husky) slipped under Todd. Approaching the drop-away, Todd again pulled up on Englund. Side by side they lifted into the air, with Englund out just a little bit farther and holding on to the lead. Todd, not giving Englund room to breathe, stayed on his rear knobby. On the long uphill it looked like Todd's Suzuki would out-pull Englund's Husky, but the hill wasn't long enough — Englund hung on.

As they approached the back straight, Todd again made his bid, this time pulling up on Englund side-by-side. The pair rode into the off camber, and suddenly Todd was down. Before Todd regained his bike, three riders had passed, and Englund was long gone. Todd charged again (only to find out later he sprained three fingers) lap after lap, reeling in riders to take second place, but never again close to Englund.

Plagued by stiff fingers in the second moto, Todd tried to hold off Englund after a super start, but could only manage another second.

Open Expert class saw Roger Smith (Vickery Yam) dart out into the lead in both motos, leaving two more second places to Todd. Later, Todd couldn't get his glove off without help. The hand was swollen twice its size.

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Jack Penton again won the John Zink enduro.

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Scott Logston flew his three Yamahas to five firsts out of six moto starts at Star Track March 20.

Scott Logston takes El Paso by storm

By E. Wright

EL PASO, TX, MAR. 20

Scott Logston, riding for Yamaha of El Paso, brought out three new Yamahas to Star Track MX Park to get in shape for the Hangtown 125 National. The amazing thing is that he won five out of six 20 minute motos.

The 250 Expert first moto was the best moto of the day. Maby McIntyre (Yam) took the lead at the start with Mike Satterfield (Pen) dogging him in every turn. Dennis Patton, on a borrowed Penton, followed a close third. Logston, coming up from a first-lap crash took over third when Satterfield crashed. For the rest of the moto the three swapped positions every lap with Logston ahead at the finish, followed by McIntyre, then Patton. Second moto Logston again came from behind to win but with a comfortable margin this time. McIntyre took second with Satterfield third.

Open Expert action had Logston holeshot both motos and win going away. Billy Greer (Yam) and Satterfield (Pen) swapped second and third in the motos with Satterfield taking the second moto and the overall.

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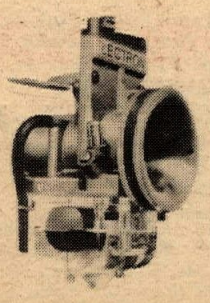
JACK PENTON 1st JOHN ZINK NAT. ENDURO



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1st 175 A Bob West Enduro Phantom
1st 250 B Randy Liebig Desert Phantom

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Flash! John Moore 1st 250 A
High Mountain Enduro

Logston holeshot the first moto of the 125 Expert and never looked back. Dennis Patton (Yam) took a distant second after a close race with Mitch Moorehead, who was riding a new Yamaha for his first time. Moorehead took the lead in the second moto with Logston and Patton in close pursuit. Logston, obviously tiring in his last moto of the day, crashed twice, reinjuring his foot (which, when last hurt, had him out for six months. Logston finished third overall. Patton came in second and second overall.

Results in Results Section.

Penton again wins John Zink National Enduro

By Jeanie Flippin

TULSA, OK, MAR. 20

Last year Jack Penton won the John Zink National enduro hands down with a score of 17 and the Tulsa Trail Riders were criticized for making the run too difficult causing many B riders to hour out. Jack Penton won the 1977 John Zink National, but not only didn't the B riders hour out, many of them burned several checks.

Riding a minute apart on numbers 69 and 70, Penton and Dick Burleson were the top riders. At the end of the run the numbers were Burleson "5" and Penton "9". At the trophy presentation it was Burleson "7" and

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Penton "7". Protests were sent to the AMA with no clear cut winner. Finally, the AMA ruled that Penton won.

Sunday morning it looked like the JZ enduro would be a super run. The weather was perfect. 300 local riders were in a good mood, having feasted at the Black Jack Circuit Awards Banquet the night before. The banquet had been hosted by Jack Zink; John Penton and Dick Burleson had handed out the awards.

Sunday night many riders seconded Skip Olson's statement; "Good run, but I had a couple of bad breaks, then my luck went to hell."

The John Zink ranch is known as the "rock farm." It is a rough, but rideable course with no road riding. Part of the 100.2-mile enduro was run at a 24 mph average and part at a 12 mph average with an extra 15 minutes added at each of the two gas stops. Hence, time keeping ability was as important as riding skills.

(Left) Dick Burleson lost the AMA decision giving the Zink win to Penton. (Below) Skip Olson heads through a field on his Can-Am Qualifier.

The trouble started at one of the early checks — it was five minutes late. The accuracy of the time at another check was questioned in Burleson's protest. Olson had 10 points lost at the tie breaker by thousandths of a second.

Overshadowed by the time controversy was the rest of the Cycle East team, Bob Popiel and Jim Simmons. Popiel was first in the Open A with Simmons in third. Missouri enduro champ, Jeff Allen, also on a Husky, came in second with 11. Team manager Buzz McQueen said that in addition to Burleson, Popiel, and Simmons, Cycle East will be supporting Ron Bohn and Malcolm Smith in their ISDT effort.

Riding for the Suzuki Enduro Team, Ted Worrell came in second behind Olson.

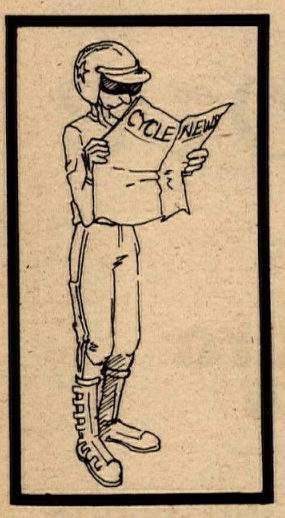
Avenging his fourth place finish and some nasty hurts to his body last year, John Penton came back to take the Senior class this time around. The other Penton riders didn't fare so well. Jim Fogle came in third and Billy Geier lost his transmission.

Can-Am's Kevin Snapp overcame his early starting number (seven) to take the 200cc A class, but a local rider, Bill Uzzell, won the Lightweight A title.

Helen Syler started on number 69, taking a clear cut win in the Women's class.

Results in Results Section.

RESULTS



Cactus Cats AMA D-37 Hare Scrambles Lucerne, Calif. March 27, 1977 By Gary Laudig

OPEN EX	
Tom Brooks	KTM
Chuck Pettigrew	Mai
Bill Saltzman	KTm
OPEN AM	
Ron Irby	Hus
Don Wallingsford	Yam
Gary Barber	—
OPEN NOV	
Dave Conner	—
Steve Nickolson	—
Chuck Fowler	Yam
EX DIV I	
Bruce Ogilvie	H-D
Charley Barney	Mai
Ken Miller	—
EX DIV II	
Mitch Payton	Hus
Johy Belknap	—
Tom Grant	—
AM DIV I	
John Prater	—
Don Brand Jr	—
Dennis Rosenburg	—
AM DIV II	
26c	
83c	
100c	
NOV DIV I	
Gregg Pagan	—
Tom Holmes	—
Rick Hickman	—
NOV DIV II	
Gregg Perkins	—
Roger Watson	—
TRAIL EX	
Charlie Hamill	
Jeff Robbins	
Steve Webb	
TRAIL AM	
55T	
11T	
35T	
TRAIL NOV	
Ray Guilbeau	
Paul Krause	
Jeff Coan	
SR HVYWT	
Art Knapp	
Richard Burley	
OPEN BEG	
Eric Hanson	
Dan Drew	
BEG DIV I	
Warren Holmberg	
Dan Smith	
Randy Holman	
BEG DIV II	
Bill Bernan	

TROPHY PICKUP

Prospectors '77 enduro trophies now available. May be picked up at Ted Petersens. Call (213) 598-7480 for appointment or other arrangements. (14)

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Saddleback
Kevin McLaughlin
1st 250 Jr.
Hollister MX
Rory Rundal
1st Open Ex
McGill MX
Lance McPhee
4th Overall Open Ex
Henry Halback
2nd Overall Open Ex
McBee MX
Viv Curtiss
1st Women's Div.

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John Zink National Enduro Tulsa, Okla. March 20, 1977 By Jeanie Flippin

OVERALL	
Jack Penton	
OVERALL B	
Dan Roam	
LIGHTWEIGHT A	
Bill Qzzell	
HEAVYWEIGHT A	
Jack Penton	
125cc A	
Jim Moon	
Jim Letellier	
Larry Moore	
200cc A	
Kevin Snapp	
David Ellis	
Jerry Collins	
250cc A	
Skip Olson	
Ted Worrell	
Jim Fogle	
OPEN A	
Bob Popiel	
Jeff Allen	
Jim Simmons	
100cc B	
Jim Bird	
Roy Williams	
Farrell Klinedecker	
125cc B	
Jerry Hoffman	
Glen Sinclair	
Bill Pipper	
200cc B	
Ken Brewer	
Rick Pitts	
Bob Morgan	
250cc B	
Jerry Semler	
Zahn Lewis	
Jerry Atchinson	
OPEN B	
Steve Marler	
Rodney Jones	
Leo Butell	
0-200cc C	
Jason Dobson	
Steve Helper	
Mike McClure	
201-OPEN C	
Ralph Childress	
Jim Sanders	
Robert Froust	
SR	
John Penton	
Richard France	
Oscar Groom	
WOMEN	
Helen Syler	
Debbie Hackler	
Lori Lowry	
TEAM	
Suzuki I	

A.M.E. Night MX Indian Dunes Valencia, Calif. March 25, 1977 By Lee Taylor

PEE WEES	
Raymond Swearinger	MV
Warren Provost	Ind
JR CYCLES BEG	
Randy Reily	Hon
Sterling Schat	Hon
125 BEG	
Danny Diaz	Hon
C.J. Stanley	Suz
Mike Sosa	Yam
250 BEG	
George Waller	Suz
David Schat	Hon
500 BEG	
George Waller	Suz
David Schat	Hon
500 BEG	
Curtis Maddox	Mai
Louis Picker	Hus
Ken Willoughby	Yam
JR CYCLE JR	
Michael Knapp	Itj
Brian Eckess	Hon
MINI JR	
Brook Bolstad	Yam
Jack Greenberg	Yam
Barry Eckess	Yam
125 JR	
Mike Van Acker	Yam
Gary Jones	Suz
Mike Morrow	J-D
250 JR	
Kenny Beaudet	Mai
Don Bizzy	Suz
Daniel C. Powers	Yam
500 JR	
Wayne MacNeil	Suz
Mark Cole	Suz
JR CYCLE INT	
Eddie Hicks	Ind
MINI INT	
Bobby Ryan	Suz
Todd Broussard	Yam
125 INT	
Steve Mitchell	Suz
CHip Johnson	Suz
Kirk Sturgeon	Hon
250 INT	
Jeff Spoor	Suz
Joe Johnson	Suz
Glen Elliott	Suz
500 INT	
Stewart Rogers	Suz
100 PRO	
Rob Brinkerhoff	Suz
125 PRO	
Tim Lunde	Yam
Bill Robertson	Hon
Jerry Shore	Hon
250 PRO	
Tim Lunde	Mai
Mike Borkowski	Hus
Charlie Tissen	Yam
500 PRO	
Andy Jannings	—
Kurt Bledsoe	Suz
Mike Antes	Suz

A.M.E. MX Dura-Lube Series Final Race Indian Dunes Valencia, Calif. March 27, 1977 By Lee Taylor

100 BEG	
David Gonzales	Suz
125 BEG	
Mark Gibson	Suz
Alan Peez	Suz
Rory Trujillo	Hon
250 BEG	
Bert Wollerman	Mai
Kenny Jones	Suz
Danny D. Kirby	Yam
500 BEG	
Jim Stofflebeam	Suz
Don Andre	Suz
Garret Wagner	Suz
MINI JR	
Eddie Green	Yam
Greg Tamble	Hon
100 JR	
Greg Robertson	Yam
John Rogers	Suz
Billy Handal	Suz
125 JR DIV I	
Mike VanAuker	Yam
Kevin Bollimger	Suz
Tom Tate	Suz
125 JR DIV II	
Bob Bevier	Yam
Donnie Cunha	-
Steve Vincze	Hon
250 JR	
Mike Rochester	Suz
Russ Norton	—
Grant Moore	Mai
500 JR	
Jeff Hares	Hus
Alan Root	Mai
Fred Wachter	Hus
MINI INT	
Bobby Ryan	Suz
Steve Hess	Yam
100 INT	
John Croskery	—
Burl Beveridge	Suz
125 INT	
John O'Mara	Suz
Jim Cote	Suz
Chip Johnson	Suz
250 INT	
Bill Laver	Hus
John Bumgarner	Kaw
Randy Ganvin	Yam
500 INT	
Paul Birchfield	KTM
Stewart Rogers	Suz
Eric Wachler	Yam
MINI EX	
Steve Schmitz	Suz
Randy Handen	Yam
100 EX	
Steve Schmitz	Suz
Jim Cote	Suz
Kenny Spiker	Suz
100 PRO	
Rob Brinkerhoff	Suz
125 PRO	
Willy Simons	Yam
Broc Glover	Yam
Ron Turner	FMF
250 PRO	
Mark Gambetta	KTM
Dave Haugh	Mai
Bob Elliott	Suz
500 PRO	
Dave Haugh	Mai
Tom Claire	Mai
VETS	
Al Stinebaugh	Suz
Keith Phillips	—
Ron Willey	Hon
WOMENS DIV	
Pauline Pitt	Suz
Pat Holland	Hon
Holly Ballard	Hon
OVER-ALL POINTS WINNERS FOR THE SERIES	
125 PRO DIV	
Warren Reid	Hon
250 PRO DIV	
Bob Elliott	Suz
500 PRO DIV	
Rick Salmon	Mai

TT Corona Rcwy Corona, Calif. March 23, 1977 By Elaine Jones

MINI	
Chris Gables	Yam
Curtis Cannon	Yam
Rodney Rainey	Yam
125cc NOV	
Mike Redding	Yam
Kurt Lewis	Kaw
Scott Shoup	yam
125cc AM/EX	
Robert Pfetzing	Yam
Chris Cannon	yam
Steve Karsten	Yam
250cc NOV	
Tom Hughes	Oss
Leroy Dozois	Kaw
Mike Lehevig	Pen
250cc AM/EX	
Mike Tidwell	Yam
John Mattocks	CZ
Lee Hales	C-A
OPEN NOV	
Robert Pfetzing	Yam
Mike Lillevig	Pen
Scott Bailey	Hon
OPEN AM/EX	
Mike Meyer	Yam
Dan McWhorter	yam
Pat Dobbins	Tri
MONEY	
Mike Tidwell	yam
Chuck Palmgreen	BSA
Dennis Briggs	Yam
MINI	
Chris Gables	Yam
Curtis Cannon	yam
Rodney Rainey	Yam
125cc NOV	
Mike Redding	Yam
Scott Shoup	Yam
125cc AM/EX	
Chris Cannon	Yam
Bobby Garabedian	yam
Robert Pfetzing	Yam
250cc NOV	
Tom Hughes	Oss
Dan Eisert	Kaw
Danne Tuttle	Yam
250cc AM	
Ray Lovell	yam
Mike DeBruyn	Yam
Bob Spicer	Yam
250cc EX	
Mike Tidwell	Yam
Danny Perkins	Yam
Don Tortorelli	HD
OPEN NOV/AM	
Pat Dobbins	Tri
Mike McGinn	Yam
Mark Butler	Yam
OPEN EX	
Marti Halkola	H-D
Dana Hansen	Yam
Shawn Leipold	Yam
MONEY	
Mike Tidwell	yam
Wayne Rainey	Yam
Tim McWhorter	Yam

AMC Saddleback Orange, Calif. March 27, 1977 By Dennis Cox

MINI	
Eric Bridges	YZ
Greg Wolfe	Hon
Brian Wilson	Yam
100 JR	
George Moore	Suz
Mark Kalas	Hon
Kerry Day	Hon
100 INT	
Ty Hanway	Suz
Jeff Hewitt	Suz
Mike Bronson	Yam
125 BEG	
Mike Kinchello	Hon
Chuck Bail	Yam
Mike Wiggins	Hon
125 JR	
Ed Kerns	Hon
Arthur Shoju	Yam
Bill Edrington	Yam
125 INT	
Ron Stroner	Suz
Joe Liccigrdi	Suz
Vance Qualls	Suz
125 PRO	
Mike Goodrich	Suz
Geoff Moore	Yam
G. Gonzales	Hon
250 BEG	
Jeff Poirier	Mai
Steve Mayo	Suz
Aldo Bastillos	Suz
250 JR	
Kevin McLaughlin	Yam
Frank Tarantino	Suz
Rick Zobel	Suz
250 INT	
Bob Cochran	C-A
Gary Gonzales	Mai
Steve Jackson	Suz
250 PRO	
Ken Morgan	Suz
Luc Delay	Suz
Steve Montague	Suz
OPEN BEG	
Ed Dugan	Hus
OPEN JR	
Mark Gail	Car
Paul Ingels	Yam
C.J. Hunt	Suz
OPEN INT	
Mike McClure	KTM
Bob Bourn	JBS
Burce McLoyd	Hus
OPEN PRO	
Craig Adams	KTM
Steve Fry	Yam
John Baricelic	Suz

MX Canyon Raceway Phoenix, Ariz. March 27, 1977 By Lesley Crawford

PEE WEE	
Greg Whittington	Hon
MINI BEG	
Ronnie VonPrisk	Suz
Keith Weeks	Yam
Richard Maddux	Yam
MINI NOV	
Tom Wyatt	Hon
Mike Rhodes	Suz
Frank Landino	Yam
MINI AM	
Drey Dirks	Yam
Scott Raddel	Suz
Brett Billett	Yam
100 NOV	
Tommy Christen	Suz
Bob Jordan	Suz
Marr Grey	Suz
100 MA	
Tim Nolts	Yam
Phil Jones	Hon
Steve Stevens	Hon
125 BEG DIV I	
Brian Whittington	Hon
Mike Methvin	Suz
Bob Sufok	Yam
125 BEG DIV II	
Mark Jenkins	Suz
Mike Pomeroy	Hon
Mark Koker	Hon
125 NOV DIV I	
Tony Ciaravino	Hon
Rick Sanders	Hod
Bret Billett	Suz
125 NOV DIV II	
Art Rose	Suz
Mark Brown	Yam
John Angelone	yam
125 AM	
Dave Erwin	Hon
Jim Thude	Yam
Corky Pond	Hon
125 EX	
Chappy Blose	Hon
Carlos Serrano	Suz
Andy Frols	Hon
250 BEG	
Rocky Priddy	BUl
Roger Kenyon	Suz
David Spint	Mai
250 NOV	
Mike Aschbrenner	Suz
Frank Jensi	Suz
Mike Vezzetti	Suz
250 AM	
Howard Dendey	Yam
Craig Wilson	Kaw
Dada Marler	mai
250 Ex	
Chappy Blose	Mai
Dave Crawford	mai
Pat Imbriale	Hus
OPEN NOV	
Mike Kalus	Yam
John McQuitty	Mon
OPEN AM	
Tom Erb	Yam
Roger Lister	Kaw
Bill Mason	Yam
OPEN EX	
Bobby Blose	Mai
Carlos Serrano	Hus
Tom Pulver	Mai
OLD TIMERS NOV	
Darwin Simpson	Kaw
Robert Dean	Suz
John Victor	Kaw
OLD TIMERS AM	
John McQuitty	mon
Larry Harty	Hon

Motocross Mt. View Cycle Park Sandy, Oregon March 20, 1977 By Jan Newman

100 JR	
Wayne Trosper	Suz
Claude Meyer	Yam
Mike Johnson	Suz
TURKEY	
Luchion Rogers	Kaw
Robert Reed	Yam
125 JR	
Kevin Ford	Yam
Jim Sanford	Yam
Nick Evans	Suz
250 JR	
Gary Frazier	Suz
George Madaris	Suz
John Scheurer	Yam
OPEN JR	
Bob Williams	Suz
Gary Frazier	Suz
Dick Burgett	Yam
OLD TIMERS	
Bob Williams	Suz
Bill Downey	Yam
Dick Burgett	Yam
125-250 INT	
Ron Long	KTM
Steve McCall	Yam
Dan Thomas	Yam
OPEN INT	
Ron Long	KTM
Mike Glenn	Suz
Dick Rolli	KTm
OPEN PRO	
Barney Newman	Hus
Mark Hambelton	Suz
Clay Azar	Yam
GRAND PRIX	
Clay Azar	Yam
Dick Rolli	Suz
Steve McCall	Yam
Mark Hambelton	Suz
Gary Frazier	Suz
Dick Burgett	Yam

Corvallis Indoor ST Corvallis, Or. March 12, 1977

TROPHY DASHES	
MINI EX	
Brian Loesch	
100	
Jeff Celorie	
125	
Kelly Olivas	
200	
Ken Celorie	
250	
Jon Gladman	
360	
Brad Hurst	
Funny Fathers	
Loren Bennett	
PRO	
Brad Hurst	
A MAIN	
MINI EX	
Andy Bruhn	
Brian Loesch	
Dan Bennett	
100	
Jeff Celorie	
Dennis Cain	
Andy Bruhn	
125	
Kelly Olivas	
Oley Grover	
Scott Miller	
200	
Jeff Celorie	
Ken Celorie	
Warren Bolten	
250	
Jon Gladman	
Bob Mahr	
Gary Tryon	
360	
Brad Hurst	
Craig Lewis	
John Krause	
FUNNY FATHERS	
Larry Bruhn	
Loren Bennett	
Ken Hart	
PRO	
Brad Hurst	
Don Smith	
Rick Oliver	

D-36 Rough Scrambles Oakdale, Calif. March 17, 1977 By Ann Carr

100 EX MAIN	
Tracy Hays	Suz
Jeff Masen	Suz
100 J & N	
Randy Rose	Yam
Troy Ockey	Suz
80 EX	
Tracy Hays	Suz
Greg Brewer	Yam
80 JR	
Mark Key	Yam
Joe Knight	Suz
80 NOV	
Kevin Fernandes	Yam
Danny Moore	Yam
Charles Pettit	Yam
60 N-J	
Guy Hufford	Hon

Blane Mapp Yam
Kelly Fischer Yam
100 NOV
Albert Winkler Yam
Donnie Kelso Suz
125 NOV
Stacy Tuers Yam
Ricky Rogers Hon
Kurt Strait Yam
125 JR
Dale Hansen yam
Brad Summers Yam
125 EX
Jeffrey Haney Yam
Richard Woods Hon
200 NOV
Don Grivette Yam
Gabe Burrola C-A
250 NOV
Ed Brown C-A
Lane Morrison Hon
250 JR
Keith Day Kaw
Brad Summers C-A
250 EX
Kenneth Netto Yam
Dwayne Ellis yam
OPEN N-J
Jeff Buckner Yam
Jimmy Smith Suz
Ed Brown Suz
OPEN EX
Jeffrey Haney Yam
Donald Taylor Yam
OLD TIMERS
Wayne Armstrong Yam
John Burnett Suz
KING OF THE POND
Jeffrey Haney Yam
Donny Taylor Yam
POWDER PUFF
Sandy Hopper Yam
Flo Strait Hon

MX
Canyon Rcwy.
Phoenix, AZ
March 20, 1977
By Lesley Crawford

PEE WEE
John Nolan
Greg Whittington
MINI NOV
Mike Churinga
Matt Stevens
Wally Bayette
MINI AM
Bobby Belluzi
Mike Bennett
Phillip Lawrence
MINI EX
Mark Meredith
Gregg Conradson
Drey Dircks
100 NOV
Rick Kirkman
Tommy Christian
Tim Jones
100 AM
Tim Nolte
125 BEG DIV I
Mark Jenkins
Bruce Berkley
Jim Fulk
125 BEG DIV II
Jeff Benton
John Burt
Mike Pomroy
125 NOV
John Belluzzi
Mike Moore
Mark Brown
125 AM
Jim Thude
Dave Erwin
Dave Nelson
125 EX
Chappy Blose
Dave Crawford
Andy Frola
250 BEG
Blair Jenner
Tom Harris
Allen Frank
250 NOV
Mike Ashbrenner
Bobby Buffalo
Clive Framino
250 AM
Howard Dendy
Gary Ewing
Scott Hart
250 EX
Dave Crawford
Chappy Blose
Gary Hickerson
OPEN NOV
John McQuitty
OPEN NOV
John McQuitty
OPEN AM
Dana Marler
Seth Comstock
Tony Voice
OPEN EX
Roger Jones
Mike McCarty
Tom Pulver
OLD TIMER NOV
Ron Babb
Ron Wilde
Dave Stevens
OLD TIMER AM
Tom Erb
John Mc Quitty

POWDER PUFF
Lori Matassa
Lori Johnson

S.H.A. Hillclimb
Saddleback Park
Orange, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Ann A. Powell

125 CLASS
Steve Smith
Art Tower
250 BEG
Louis Damiana
Carl Turner
250 STK
Dick DeRosa
Elden Peterson
250 MOD
Doug Hall
360 STK
Jerry Childers
360 MOD
Craig Mock
400 STK
Bob Bayuk
400 MOD
Dick De Rosa
450 STK
Chuck Peterson
450 MOD
Dick De Rosa
500 STK
Kent Morgan
Craig Mock
500 MOD
Clyde Peterson
Carl Collier
Neal Mackel
650 STK
Ron Powell
Vince Vinson
650 MOD
Neal Mackel
Dick De Rosa
OPEN CLASS
Kerry Peterson
Neal Mackel
Ed Shaver
TOP ELIMINATOR
Kerry Peterson

MX Corona Rcwy
High School &
Unattached
Corona, Calif.
March 18, 1977
By Elaine Jones

HIGH SCHOOL
MINI
Toby Maynard No
Randy Anderson Arl
Bob Barney Arl
POWDER PUFF
Loni Anderson Arl
Yvette Lyle No
Karen Bergkvist no
100cc NOV
Dennis Wooldrige No
Cray Creason Col
Sheldon Karesh Mon
100cc SR
Bill Jones No
Steve Giberson No
125cc NOV
Wade Hodge No
Alan Chiuminata Arl
Terry Franks No
125cc INT
Joe Bueno no
Jim McIntosh No
125cc Sen
Marty Wolford Arl
John Gless Arl
Bobby Hines No
175cc NOV
Joe Bueno No
David Stevenson Col
David West Arl
175cc INT
Wade Hodge No
Mike Seeger No
Ron Rich Col
175cc SR
John Gless Arl
Steve Lyle No
David Foley No
250cc SR
Jim Lawson No
Rod Anderson Artl
Regie Barnes No
OPEN NOV
Dennis Wooldridge No
John Cline Mon
Zack Peterson Mon
UNATTACHED
MINI BEG
Brad Gnegy Suz
Jeff Schaeffer Suz
Sekn Corcran Yam
MINI NOV
Robbie Brown Yam
Allen Lucas Yam
Chip Vogel Yam
MINI EX
Scott Grose yam
Gino Filippi Yam
Randy Fleisher Yam
100cc BEG
Scott Grose Hon
Robbie Brown —
Russ Plumlee Yam

100cc NOV
John Rodger Suz
Kevin Colwell Suz
100cc PRO
Bobby Hart Suz
Roger Farr Yam
125cc BEG
Tim Harris Yam
Patt Kimpston Suz
Charley Starr Yam
125cc Jr
Dave Rose Suz
Dale Tanke KTM
David Coyle yam
125cc INt
Phil Thorstenson Hon
Gino Filippi Hon
Rick Allsup Yam
125cc PRO
Marty Miller Suz
Marty Wolford Hon
Andy Guth Suz
250cc BEG
Gordon Anderson yam
Kirby Wooldridge Kaw
Steve Kakuska Suz
250cc NOV
Jim Scott Kaw
Wayne Bentley Suz
Lee Palmer Suz
OPEN NOV
Lynn Taylor Suz
Stan Northington Hsu
Art Rogers Bul
OPEN INT
Tony Feldhaus Suz
Pryor Campbell Suz
Jim Garon Yam
OPEN PRO
Marty miller Suz
Dean Wilkinson Suz
Mark Rawley Suz

TT
395 Cycle Park
Adelanto, Calif.
March 20, 1977

MINI NOV
Danny Perez Yam
Roger Thompson Yam
Jeff Williams Hon
125 NOV
Jeff Neeley Yam
Jeff Moon Yam
Jody Smith Kaw
250 NOV
Jeff Neeley Kaw
Rick Blankenship Yam
Jeff Johnson Yam
500-OPEN NOV
Rich Barnes Yam
Steve Rose Yam
Larry Orr Yam
OPEN AM
Gary Praster Yam
Pat Dobbins Tri
Rich Barnes Yam
OPEN EX
Chuck Palmgren BSA
Earl Roloff Yam
Mike Laney Yam
SWEEPSTAKES
Jeff Neeley Yam
CASH DASH
Chuck Palmgreen BSA
Earl Roloff Yam
Rich Barnes Yam
HALF MILE
MINI NOV
Danny Perez Yam
Roger Thompson Yam
Jeff Williams Hon
125 NOV AM
Jeff Moon Yam
Jeff Neeley Yam
Scott Oliver Yam
250 NOV
David Cote Yam
John Perez Bul
Rick Blankenship Yam
500 NOV
Rich Barnes Yam
Arnold Hester Yam
Steve Rose Yam
250 EX
Lee Hales Yam
John Lundgren Yam
Bill Cain Yam
500 AM
Pat Dobbins Tri
Gary Praster Yam
Gary Pettis Bul
500 EX
CHuck Palmgren BSA
GAry Evans Hon
Kipp Cox Yam
OPEN EX
Craig Armstrong H-D
Mike Laney Yam
Rich Warren Yam

Startup Park MX
Startup, Wash.
March 27, 1977

MINI B
Wayne Olson Suz
Scott Koch Suz
Danny Simpson Yam
100 B
Jeff Butler Hon
100 C
Brian McGonigal Suz
Todd Dougliss Kaw
Karl Neiders Yam

125 A
Scot Templeman Suz
Mel McCormick Suz
Terry Walt Hon
125 B
Doug Smith Suz
Bruce Cameron Yam
Rob Casper Suz
125 C
Kevin O'Donnell Suz
Mark Klopp Kaw
Chris Koontz Hon
250 A
Dan Brown Bul
Duke Coleman Suz
Don Carpenter Suz
250 B
Dana Hoggarth Kaw
Doug Snider Suz
Rob Austin Suz-
250 C
Tim Stock Mai
Dave Alexander Hus
Jeff Benzion Bul
OPEN C
Marty French Suz
Rich Malean Suz
John Hribar Yam
OPEN B
Brian Doyle Suz
Larry Stewart Mai
Brian Rau Suz
OPEN A
Scott Morton Yam
Scott Cameron Yam

D-36 Scrambles
Sacramento, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Dave Smith

MINI 80 NOV
Randy Fisher Yam
Jeff Baxter Yam
Jim Baxter Yam
MINI AM/EX
Joe Brazil Suz
Frank Timmons yam
S. Walkingstick Yam
100 NOV
David Muse Yam
125 NOV
Mike Snider Hon
Jim Breneisen Suz
Ken Breneisen Suz
125 AM
Paul Orlandi Hon
Terry Atkinson Suz
Steve Crawford Suz
250 NOV
Tom Lucas Hus
Mike Castro Yam
Dana Covert Bul
250 AM
Chuck Atkinson Kaw
Tony King Suz
Bret Stadel Yam
250 EX
Emory Gray Bul
Gary Caves
Jerry Bland Bul
500 NOV
Max Easley Yam
Steve Luick Hon
Tim Burns Suz
500 AM
Bret Stadel Yam
Darrel Kientz Hus
Willy Morgan Yam
650 NOV
Greg Billings Tri
Mike Vargas Tri
650 AM
Dan Laine Tri
Ralph Lee Tri
650 EX
Bud Riddle Tri
Bob Masters Tri
Jeff Sieich Tri

D-35 Invitational
TT Qualifier
Porterville, Calif.
March 20, 1977
By Cosmic Cat & Co

MINI
Rob Ely Yam
Robert Land Yam
Brian Yocum yam
100
Mike Garrison Yam
Mike Vital Hod
Robert Torres Yam
125
Rodney Sullivan Yam
Scott Cude Yam
Gary Long Yam
200
Lee Pritchard Yam
Kent Bowser C-A
Bryan Adkins Yam
250
Steve Monger Yam
Jim Birkle Yam
Bob Garrison Yam
500
Kenny Welch Suz
Jeff Martin Yam
Scott Dinkins Yam
OPEN
bob Young Tri
Wayne Schmidt Yam
Jim Turner Tri

CRC MX
De Anza Park
Sunnymead, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Ron Lawson

MINI BEG
Tod Gibboney Suz
Bob Pacins Yam
Eddie Michetti yam
MINI NOV
Joe morris Yam
Tim Gregory Yam
Darryl Lawrence Yam
125 BEG
Jim McGowan Yam
Scott Quick Hon
Jerry Black Yam
125 NOV
Danny Fleming Hon
Rich Maebe yam
Dave Rose Suz
125 INT
Mickey McDougal Suz
Sue Fish Yam
Butch Roberts Yam
125 EX
Mark Lawrence Yam
John Fltweed Yam
Mark Ellis Suz
250 BEG
Brian Hoffman Suz
Bob Broten KTm
Billy Sayors Yam
250 NOV
Mike Meshdoff KTM
Steve Ellington Suz
Mike Taylor Kaw
250 INT
Chuck Warren Yam
Walt Olson Mai
Roy Burton Suz
250 EX
John Fltwood Yam
Jim LaTendresse Su
Danny McDougal Suz
OPEN BEG
Mike Swain Yam
Dick Dickinson Suz
Rick Simon Yam
OPEN INT
Ed Miller Mai
Greg Hope Bul
OPEN EX
Richard Franklin Yam
Buttons Sadler Mai
Bob Brammer mai
CRC VETS BEG
Jan Lehotan Suz
Joe Pena CZ
Bill Lyons Hon
CRC VETS INT
Ed Michetti Mai
George Spellman Kaw
Bill Burkhart yam
CRC VETS SR
Garry Wilt Mai
Jim Francis —
Bill Friant Yam

MX
Marysville Bridge
Sacramento, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Bad Brad Emery

60 MINI NOV
Mark Lewis Hon
Terry Ertz Yam
Shawn Wooten Hon
80 MINI DIV I
Brad Wilson Suz
Tim Aston Suz
Jim Horn Suz
80 MINI DIV II
John Martin Hon
Jim Martin Hon
Steve Archer Yam
80 MINI AM
Jimmy Souza Yam
Gregg Van Dusen Suz
80 MINI EX
Steve Vlahos Yam
Howie Ross Suz
100 MINI NOV
Kris Morris Suz
Todd Provine Suz
Jim McCracken Suz
100 MINI AM
Mark Shumate Suz
David Reade Suz
100 MINI EX
Jimmy Robertson Suz
100 NOV
Steve Ahart Yam
Brad Emery Yam
Mark Bachman Yam
125 NOV DIV I
Gary Sanders Hon
Leon Ellis Suz
Louis Cross Suz
125 NOV DIV II
Brett Coulson Suz
Steve Neiswanger Yam
Bradley Harrison Suz
125 NOV DIV III
Matt Baze Suz
Dennis Smith Suz
Jeff Hammond Suz
125 AM
Danny Dennis Hon
David Wetherbee Suz
Kendell Powers Yam
125 EX
Pat Wilson Hon

Mike Marquez Hon
Pat Richter Suz
250 NOV DIV I
Nick Jarrel Suz
Al Griego Suz
Steve Coffey Suz
250 NOV DIV II
Robert Sayles Hus
Ross Westphal Suz
Rick Kluve Suz
250 AM DIV I
Starr Needham Mai
Jim Inglebright Mae
Darrell Burt KTM
250 AM DIV II
David Kindelt KTM
George Lowery KTM
Kim Campos Hus
250 EX
Dave Wood Yam
Duane Joice Yam
George McNamara KTM
OPEN NOV
Chuck Perkins Suz
Jim Thomas Bul
Rollie Waldow Yam
OPEN AM
Mike Bright Suz
Lance Beauchamp Hus
Jack Jackson Suz
OPEN EX
Robert Myers Mai
Daniel Waller Suz
Kent Classen KTM
VETS NOV
Dr. John Flaherty Hon
Steven Johnson Hus
Robert Elliot Mai
VETS AM
Ernie Cabral Suz
OLD TIMER NOV
Elmer Kraus Hon
Bob Morgan Suz
Weslie Kantzman Hus
OLD TIMER EX
Bob Phinney Hus
Gabby Gabert KTM
WOMENS DIV
Marcy Lewis Suz
Jammin Joyce Hon
Jan Wheeler Hon

Sand Hill Ranch MX
Brentwood, Calif.
March 18, 1977
By T. Houser

MINI NOV DIV I
Rick Ryan Suz
John Looney Yam
MINI NOV II
Gary Johnson yam
Sam Nova Suz
Chris Cameron Yam
MINI INT
Mike Holmes Yam½
100
Rick Ryan Suz
Mike Moyer Yam
Mike Brown Yam
100-125 BEG
Geofrey Martins Suz
Mike Sutherland Hon
100-125 POWDER PUFF
Kim Britz Hon
125 JR DIV I
Gary Moyer Yam
Barry Pimentel Yam
Tim Nobles —
Mark Womble Yam
125 JR DIV II
Dave Fuller Yam
Frank Acosta Hon
Tim Grube Suz
125 INT
Carl Nunes yam
Mark Howard Yam
125 EX
Mike Montgomery Yam
David Woodall Suz
Greg Greener
250 JR DIV I
Dave Cook Yam
Eric Poulsen Yam
Michael Buranis Hus
250 JR DIV II
Conrad Schmeckel Yam
Jeff McChessey Hon
Mickey Agua Suz
250 INT
Tony Shipman Hus
Sherman Wong
250 EX
Jeff Elrod Vil
Jeff Timmermann KTM
OPEN JR
Gary Hoppr Yam
Scott Land Suz
Frank Madrid Hus
OPEN INT
Mike Menesini CZ
OPEN EX
Donnie Taylor yam
Steve Muscio Mai
VETS
Rick Mathews Suz
OLD TIMERS
Bob Porter Hus
ODYSSEY
Dave Thurmold —
TROPHY DASH
Gary Pimentel Suz
MINI MONEY RACE
Dennis Houser Yam

RESULTS

P.I.T.S. Trials
Castro Valley, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Bill Garrison

EX	
Lane Leavitt	6
Steve Darrow	16
Bruce Bolden	17
LADIES	
Barbara Oliphant	17
Lori Flewelling	20
Marcia Neighly	30
NOV A	
Bob Caswell	9
Tom Cullen	11
Fred Caswell	14
NOV B	
Jim Flewelling	6
Bruce Frank	8
Clive Belveif	8
AM	
Dan Suffin	19
John Darrow	23
Wild Bill Green	26

Sand Hill Ranch MX
Brentwood, Calif.
March 20, 1977
By T. Houser

MINI	
Gary Johnson	Yam
Chris Pluta	Suz
Rick Olson	Yam
MINI INT	
Mike Holmes	Yam
Dennis Houser	Yam
100	
Randy McGinnis	Suz
Roger Newman	Suz
125 Jr	
Mike Spencer	Suz
Jim Morton	Yam
Les Keeling	Suz
250 JR	
David Allen	KTm
Conrad Schmeckel	yam
OPEN JR	
Steve Bevilacqua	Yam
125 INT	
Larry Anderson	Hon
250 INT	
John Herold	—
250 EX	
Rick Lewis	Bul
Skip Ortner	KTm
VETs	
John Mekold	Mai
Steve Slingerland	mai
O.T.	
Arley Anthony	Mai

MX Star Track Pk
El Paso, Tex.
March 20, 1977
By E. Wright

125 NOV	
Darrell Blankenship	Suz
Mike Haynes	Hon
Doug McDaniel	Yam
BEG	
Brad Tabor	yam
Curtis Sachse	Yam
Robert Cushing	Suz
125 Am	
Mike Hanlon	Suz
Shawn Perrero	Yam
Roger Hodson	Suz
250 AM	
Jim Johnson	pen
Alain Kamerer	pen
Dave Eicher	Suz
MINI AM	
Robby Holguin	Yam
Cody Taylor	Yam
Jeff Nelms	Yam
125 EX	
Mitch Moorhead	Yam
Dennis Patton	Yam
Scott Logston	Yam
250 EX	
Scott Logston	Yam
Maby McIntyre	Yam
Mike Satterfield	Pen
OPEN EX	
Scott Logston	Yam
Mike Satterfield	Pen
Billy Greer	Yam
MINI EX	
Tracy McIntyre	Yam
Mike McIntyre	Yam

Desert Wheels MX
Edwards A.F.B., CA
March 20, 1977
By Greg Robertson

MINI BEG	
Rodney Phelps	Yam
JeffCummings	Yam
Tommy Chavez	Yam
MINI JR	
Allen Hooper	Suz
Jeff Black	Suz
Dan Cordle	Yam
MINI INT	
Mark Clark	Yam
Rick Hemme	Yam
Jeff Spencer	Yam
MINI EX	
erik Kehoe	Yam
Ronnie graves	Yam
Don Best	Yam
100 BEG	
Jim Pappe	Yam
Mark Vito	Suz
100 JR	
Mark Urseth	Suz
Bruce Thompson	Suz
Mark Marquez	Suz
100 INT	
Mark Jewyk	Suz
Jeff Harris	Suz
125 JR DIV II	
Dennis Creason	Suz
Mike Gary	Yam
Dean Morse	Suz
125 JR DIV I	
Russell Clutter	Yam
Mike McGhee	Hon
Alan Anderson	Suz
125 INT	
Roger Hensley	Yam
Rick Guilmette	Suz
Craige McConnachie	Suz
125 EX	
Terry ducker	Yam
Rodney Brand	Suz
Jim Sendlebach	Yam
250 BEG	
Joe Waller	Suz
Dan SHetler	Suz
Ron Sammons	—
250 JR	
Doug Butler	Suz
Steve Dally	Hon
Alan Grace	Kaw
250 INT	
Steve Jordan	KTM
Steve Williams	Suz
Greg Brown	Hon
250 EX	
Tim Welker	RMB
Rodney Brand	Suz
Craig Osborn	KTM
OPEN BEG	
Ed Emory	Yam
John Mathews	Yam
Rod Breaux	Kaw
OPEN JR	
Jeff Hares	Jus
Gary Murphy	Bul
David Carson	Suz
OPEN INT	
Dan Fowler	Hus
Chris Eyre	Hsu
OPEN EX *	
Mark Barns	Suz
Eddie Gonzales	RM
Don Bevans	Mai

CMC Motocross
Carlsbad rcwy.
Carlsbad, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By Patti Trotter

MINI EX	
Mike Toycen	RR
Curt McCuistion	Yam
Ted Naas	Yam
MINI JR	
Todd Brady	yam
Danny Jones	Yam
David McGhee	Yam
Kevin McCutcheon	yam
Victor Padilla	Suz
100 Jr	
David Hughes	Suz
Rick Clawson	Yam
Adam Padilla	Suz
Brian Fuller	Hon
Mark Johnson	Suz
125 PRO	
Brian Myerscough	Suz
Randy Hess	Hon
Pete Wanket	Yam
Nelson Whitehill	Yam
Chris Burgeson	Suz
125 INT	
Brett Meyer	Yam
Huff Hadley	VH
Ron Vtaski	Hon
Scott Anderson	Yam
Jack Clawson	Yam
125 JR DIV I	
Pete Sampo	Suz
Ed Vidovich	Suz
Scott Porter	Suz
Al Stromberg	Hon
Kawika Aldrich	Suz
125 JR DIV II	
Matt Hope	Suz
Yves Halliburton	FRA
Clint Hardick	Suz
Maichael Flaherty	Suz
Loren Jarvis	FMF
125 JR DIV III	
Doug Berg	Yam
Bryan Hart	Yam
Tim Ivfer	Hon
Scott Brady	yam
Brent Battin	Hon
250 PRO	
Val Tamietti	MNai
John Smith	Yam
Mike Bell	Yam
Steve Rhyan	KTM
Clark Jones	Mai
250 INT	
Darrell Brown	Mai
Max Maple	Hon
Terry Biner	CMS
Scott Slayton	Mai
Douglas Southward	Suz
250 JR DIV I	
Vince Hunt	Kaw
Robbie Storrs	KTM
Jeff Bishop	CZ
Jim Williams	Yam
Robert Dykmans	CZ
250 JR DIV II	
Bart Rague	C-A
Mike Sole	JPR
Kirk Grissom	Oss
Scott McGervey	Suz
Adam Padilla	Mai
500 PRO	
Mike Bell	yam
Steve Rhyan	KTM
Val Tamietti	Mai
Allen Ortiz	Mai
Rich Thorvaldson	Tho
500 INT	
Billy Keefe	Hus
David Tanis	Suz
Paul Thede	Sop
Max Maple	Suz
CHris White	Mai
500 JR	
Gary Peterson	Suz
Mark Mohs	KTM
Dino Sampo	Yam
Stephen Hawks	Bul
Milton Shadoan	Bul

Northwest Indoor ST
Portland, OR
March 23, 1977
By W.H. Spencer

JR/EX MAIN	
Gary Tonda	Yam
Rick Hocking	oss
Mickey Fay	Hon
NOV MAIN	
Mike Kunsman	Oss
Sal Hoffman	Yam
John Wincewicz	Hon
MINI MAIN	
Brian Loesch	Hon
Bennett	Hon
Horne	Hon

Northwest Indoor ST
Corvallis, OR
March 24, 1977

JR/EX MAIN	
John Gennai	Bul
Brad Hurst	—
Lester Huey	Hon
NOV MAIN	
Jeff Celorie	—
Brett Barkus	-
Tony Hopkins	-
MINI MAIN	
Brian Loesch	Hon
Tom McCallum	Hon

Northwest IndoorST
Vancouver, B.C.
March 25, 1977

JR/EX MAIN	
John Gennai	Bul
Gary Tonda	Yam
Chris Jorgensen	—
NOV MAIN	
Jim Reed	Yam
Mike Kunsman	oss
Doug McWilliams	Yam
MINI MAIN	
Brian Loesch	Hon

Northwest IndoorST
Seattle, Wash.
March 26, 1977

JR/EX MAIN	
John Gennai	Bul
Dave Hansen	C-A
Mickey Fay	Hon
NOV MAIN	
Tom DeCoy	Bul
Mike Kunsman	Oss
Doug McWilliams	Bul
MINI MAIN	
Andy Bruhn	Hon
Tom McCallum	Hon

TT Scrambles
Elsinore Raceway
Elsinore, Calif.
March 19, 1977
By Andi Gangewer

MINI BEG NOV	
John Bales	Yam
Jimmy Rosa	YZ
Butch Jodoin	Yam
MINI EX	
Jim Livingston	Yam
Eugene Brown	Yam
125 BEG	
Dennis Osmer	Hon
Dale Millage	Suz
Gary Moore	Yam
250 BEG	
Randy Palmer	Oss
Fred	Paiz
125 NOV	
Garth Beavers	Yam
Don Milam	Hon
Ric Emmal	yam
250 NOV	
Allen Lowen	Suz
Jim Cessna	Suz
Robert Young	Hon
SPEC NOV	
Allen Lowen	Suz
Craig Bougon	Tir
Jim Cessna	Suz
100-125 AM	
Jay Bales	Yam
Steve Karsten	—
Chris Chandler	Hon
125 EX & 100	
Robert Pfetzing	YZ
Ken McIntire	Yam
Danny Perkins	
250 AM/EX	
Dorothy Rowe	Yam
Jay Blaes	Yam
tom Hughes	Oss
OPEN AM	
Joe Thraillkill	Yam
Joel Windham	Yam
Kelly Templeton	Yam
OPEN EX	
Rex Hailey	Yam
Pat Dobbins	Tri
Jim Vendley	Tri
SPEC AM	
Rob Selvy	Yam
Joel Windham	Yam
Joe Thrailkill	Yam
SPEC EX	
Rex Hailey	Yam
Steve Fortune	Tri
Pat Dobbins	Tri

CMC HSMX
south Bay Pk Spdwy
San Diego, Calif.
March 23, 1977
By James Brammer

500 PRO	
Rob Norgaard	Kaw
Kenny Frost	Suz
Mike Stephenson	CZ
250 PRO	
Broc Glover	Yam
Mike McGowen	Yam
Scott Montgomery	TS
125 PRO	
Terry Shekell	Yam
Stve Bartley	DG
George Speck	Yam
MINI EX	
Scott Burnworth	Yam
Ted Naas	Yam
Ben Holdren	Yam
MINI	JR
Curtis Rough	—
Todd Brady	Yam
Terry Fowler	Yam
100 JR	
Ron Arisman	Yam
Kyle Halkola	Yam
Ken Coon	Yam
125 INT	
Tony Gomez	Yam
Joaquin Picazo	Yam
Chuck Meyer	Yam
125 JR DIV I	
Rick Doetsch	Hon
Mark Castellanos	Suz
Ron Lounsbury	RR
125 JR DIV II	
Tom Lund	Yam
Jeff Burnworth	Yam
Loren Jaonis	Suz
125 JR DIV III	
Keith FInch	Hon
Tim Ivfer	Hon
Chris Harrold	Yam
125 JR DIV IV	
Bryan Hart	Yam
Kenn Dixner	Hon
Gordon Dawson	Yam
250 INT	
Tony Gomez	Suz
Max Maple	Hon
Jon Clopton	KTM
250 JR DIV I	
Troy Hansen	Hus
Keith Lynas	Oss
Jeff Cox	MCE
250 JR DIV II	
Steve Pata	Hon
Kirk Grissom	Oss
Mike Brown	Hus
500 INT	
Max Maple	Suz
Gerald Corley	Hus
Dan Lounsbury	KTM
500 JR	
Dan Dayalos	Suz
Milton Shadoan	Bul
Dan Scott	Suz
100 INT	
Chuck Meyer	Yam

Boss CMC
Semi Pro MX
Argyll Park
Dixon, Calif.
March 20, 1977
By Sallee Hilton

OLD TIMERS NOV	
Vernon Howell	Tri
William Lincomfelt	Hus
Bill Frakes	Suz
OLD TIMER EX	
John Dotson	Mai
Jerome White	Hus
Bob Phinney	Hus
VETS NOV	
Merrill Rempfer	KTM
Mack Anderson	Suz
Tom Hintz	KTM
VETS EX	
Russ Powell	KTM
Al Baumann	KTM
Steve Machado	Yam
WOMENS DIV	
Jan Parker	Hon
Joyce Ford	Hon
Linda Clare	Suz
MINI NOV	
Brad Wilson	Yam
Jim Baxter	Yam
Shawn Vogel	Suz
MINI INT	
Jimmy Rich	Hon
James Dickman	Yam
todd Anselmo	—
MINI EX	
Jimmy Robertson	Yam
Greg Bonovich	Yam
Wade Wilson	—
100 NOV	
Scott Stanley	Hon
Mark Shumate	Suz
Ricky Cervantes	Suz
100 INT	
Mike Beier	Suz
Ron Brown	Yam
Jeff Akers	Yam
100 EX	
Steve Ahart	Yam
Ricky Gaarder	Yam
Jimmy Robertson	Suz
125 NOV DIV I	
Brad Harrison	Suz
Rod Berringer	Suz
Dennis Brown	Suz
125 NOV DIV II	
Bill O'Donnell	Hon
Pete Langley	Suz
Tommy Stover	Suz
125 NOV DIV III	
Ed Cummins	Hon
Mike Chauncey	Hon
Ron Kain	Hon
250 NOV DIV I	
Bryan Farris	Mai
Bill Landers	Suz
Rick Van Drimmelen	Hus
250 NOV DIV II	
Karl Von Ulsin	Hus
Allen Clouver	Hon
Duffy Mitchell	Suz
OPEN NOV	
Dean Shultz	Bul
Mike Bell	Suz
Craig Bell	Suz
125 INT	
Stan Vogel	Suz
Randy Chapman	—
Marvin Woods	Yam
250 INT	
Spoof Pena	Hus
Mike Dickman	KTM
Steve Vogel	Oss
OPEN INT	
Mike Bright	Suz
Jeff Anselmo	Mai
Bud Lemke	Mai
125 EX	
David Woodall	Suz
Robert Norton	Hon
Pat Yoho	Yam
250 EX	
John Minor	Suz
Dean Wiggins	Mai
Mike Hersman	Hus
OPEN EX	
Ted Rogers	KTM
Tony Bouscal	Mai
Steve Eddy	Yam

S.R.A.C. MX
Aztec Raceway
Colorado Springs, CO
March 27, 1977
By Linda Donelson

MINI NOV	
Ken Vasquez	Suz
Greg Ricciotti	Yam
Tracy Johnson	Yam
MINI AM	
Rob Beierle	Yam
Eric Sterner	Suz
Mickey Gressett	Suz
MINI EX	
Randy Isham	Yam
Ted Loeffler	Suz
Mark Gross	yam
125 NOV	
John McFedridge	Hon
Greg Frank	Yam
Nils Holten	Yam
125 AM	
Matt Woodley	Yam
Kevin Mansfield	Suz
Rex Guy	Suz
125 EX	
Albert Firestine	Yam
Stacy Smith	Yam
lloyd Stanton	Yam
250 NOV	
Stuart Meiries	Yam
Carl Meyer	Mai
Scott Secrest	yam
250 AM	
Bill Evans	Yam
Ken Garcia	Suz
Mike Turner	Suz
250 Ex	
Arlo Englund	Hus
Jack Todd	Suz
Lee Leatherman	Yam
OPEN NOV	
ron Fox	Suz
Dave Craft	Suz
Ed Penschbacher	Yam
OPEN AM	
Tim Leaveck	yam
Jim Marchbank	Mai
Wayne Kieselback	Suz
OPEN EX	
Roger Smith	Yam
Jack Todd	Suz
Wayne Jackson	Yam

MX Action Rcwy.
Corning, Calif.
March 27, 1977
By L. Moore

PEE WEE	
Todd Fisher	Hon
MINI BEG	
Tommy Seidel	Suz
Eric Fisher	Suz
MINI JR	
Jim Carpenter	Yam
Paul Baker	Yam
Kenny Kern	Suz
100 JR	
Randy Cotney	Suz
Richard Byrns	Suz
Richard Fox	Yam
125 JR DIV I	
Brad Sanders	Suz
Rick Nye	Suz
Wade Snodgrass	Hon
125 JR DIV II	
Rick Lederer	Hon
Danny Herron	Yam
Don Call	Suz
250 JR	
Ed Thopson	Suz
Dennis Cassidy	Kaw
Gregg Durlia	Suz
OPEN JR	
Bill Welman	Yam
Jeff Johnston	Yam
Mike Shook	Suz
125 INT	
Bert Wilson	Suz
Jeff Rogers	Hon
Scott Dorman	Yam
250 INT	
Alan Thomason	Mai
Joe Martin	Mai
Kevin Borror	Suz
OPEN INT	
Jeff Anselmo	Mai
Lonnie Manning	Bul
Scott French	Suz
250 EX	
Tad Gumbmann	Mai
treve McReynolds	KTM

Boss CMC MX
Prison Hill
Carson City, NV
March 27, 1977
By Sallee Hilton

VETS NOV	
Harold Myers	Suz
Ron Riipi	Hus
Bob Bogue	Hus
OLD TIMERS NOV	
Fred Fallon	Mai
Gator Gloutier	Rok
VETS INT	
Rod Henninger	Hus
Bill Heller	Suz
Ray Marshall	Mai
VETS EX	
Maurice Sanchez	Hus
Jerome White	Hus
MINI NOV 80cc	
Mike Riipe	Hon
Richard Sanders	Yam
Todd Cuadee	Hon
MINI NOV 60cc	
James Koschella	Yam
Donovan Jackson	Hon
MINI EX	
Mark Levrett	Yam
Tom Hall	—
Don Lucero	Yam
100 NOV	
Ty Ergulaga	Yam
Scott Jones	Suz
Jeff Alexander	Yam
125 NOV DIV I	
Paul Pappass	Suz
Robert Stinnett	Suz
Bill Buttram	Yam
125 NOV DIV II	
Stewart Vogel	Suz
Mark Wright	Hon
Dan Dossey	Yam
250 NOV	
Bob Fitzsimmons	Hus
Mike Compton	Hus
Jeff Wyman	Hus
OPEN NOV	
Jeff Cunningham	Hus
Randy Johnson	Suz
Michael Schaden	Bul
125 INT	
Robbie Hadlock	Suz
Tim Sherfy	Suz
Kevin Truax	Suz
250 INT	
Danny Lawson	Hus
Tim Dyer	Hus
Eric McElroy	Hus
OPEN INT	
John Northrop	Hus
Danny Lyons	—
Ray Marshall	Mai
125 EX	
John Wilson	Suz
Kim Adamson	Yam
Mike Cole	Yam
250 EX	
Jeffrey Loff -	Mai
Al Hall	KTM
Lowell Spiva	Suz
OPEN EX	
Richard Buttner	
Jeffrey Loff	Mai
Allen Berluti	Suz

CALENDAR

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April 6

R.A.C.E. HALF MILE AND TT
Corona Rcwy., Hwy. 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. All classes. P.O. Box 55144 Riverside, CA, 92507. 714/735-1705

April 8

MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET
Movie World Exhibit Center, 6900 Orangethorpe, Buena Park, CA. 6 pm to 11 pm. Selling spaces (10'x10') $8, front locations $13. R.G. Canning, P.O. Box 400, Maywood, CA 90270. 213/588-0763, 24 hrs.

SHR NITE MOTOCROSS
Sand Hill Ranch, Brentwood, CA, corner Camino Diablo and Vasco Rd. Sign up 5 pm, prac. 6:30, race 7:30. All classes plus trophy dash and all-comers minibike race — entry $1, winner takes all. 100% Ex. p.b., 30% trophies. Entry $8. 687-2159, 634-3328.

CMC NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Irwindale Rcwy., Irwindale, CA., at 605 and 210 Frwys. Pit opens 4:30 p.m.; sign 'til 6:30; prac. 6-7:00; race 7:30 p.m. Every second Friday of month is Points Night. Buy entry at track night of event. 714/557-3323.

AME NITE MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Prac. 7 pm, race 8. Post entry only, $6, Pros $10. 100% p.b. to Pros, 30% trophies. $4000 med. covg. 213/881-5778.

AME YOUTH DIVISION MX
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Mini track. All classes, Pee Wee thru 105cc, 33% brass. Prac. 7 pm, race 8. Entry $6, memb. req'd., $8. $4000 med. cov. 213/881-5778.

R.A.C.E. MOTOCROSS
Corona Rcwy., Hwy 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. Mini thru Open, 100% p.b. to Ex, 714/689-1913, 735-1705.

AMA HALF MILE
Ascot Park, 18300 Vermont, Gardena, CA. Ex., Jr., Nov. Race starts 8 pm. 213/323-1142, 321-1100.

April 9

D-37 HARE SCRAMBLES
California City, CA. Limed from Cal City Golf course and from Hwy. 58 at Hwy. 395. Entry $8. 10 am start, 35-mi. loop run twice. Finisher eggs. Special classes for pre '67 cycles and dinosaurs (with 6 entries). SoCal M.C. 213/372-2266, 532-6859.

SADDLEBACK SATURDAY MX
Saddleback Pk., Orange, CA. Gate opens 7:30 am, prac. 8-8:30, race 9. Pros race 40 min, others 30 min. Entry $8, Pros $13. No membership or mail entry req'd. 33.33% trophies. 714/830-8010.

R.A.C.E. MOTOCROSS
Corona Rcwy., Hwy 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. Mini thru Open, 100% p.b. to Ex, 714/689-1913, 735-1705.

DRA TEAM RACE
Limed to 17 mi. N of Adelanto, CA on Hwy. 395, right side. Start time 10 am. 6x22 mi. $450 cash purse, 20% trophies, $3000 med. ins. and the usual. 714/373-4647.

TT SCRAMBLES
Elsinore Rcwy., Hwy. 71 at Lagonia Ave., Elsinore, CA. Sign up 6 pm, prac. 7, race 8. Gate $2, race $3. 20% brass. Clubs and groups welcome, ride own class. Beg. thru Ex. 714/674-5383, 826-2386.

D-36 NIGHT SHORT TRACK
Lodi Cycle Bowl, Lodi, CA. Sign up 4-7 pm, prac. 5:30 to 7, race 7:30. Mini to 500. Semi Pro. Entry $5 Sptsmn., $7.50 Ex. Class "C" traction. 209/368-7182, 931-3722.

April 9-10

HANGTOWN NATIONAL MOTOCROSS
Plymouth, CA, 30 mi. east of Sacramento on Hwy. 16. Saturday: Sptsmn. day, Nov-Am-Ex. AMA sanct. Entry $15. Dirt Diggers North M.C., P.O. Box 41721, Sacramento, CA 95841. Sunday: AMA National motocross, 125 & 250 classes, $15,000 purse. Tickets $5 advance, $7 at gate. Tickets available at Ticketron outlets. No overnight camping. Dirt Diggers North M.C., P.O. Box 338, Orangeville, CA 95662. 916/985-7303.

April 10

APACHE SUNRISE ENDURO
All family enduro, limed from Cal City Golf Course. Family teams free, minis go 1 loop, PP and C under 16 choose 1 loop or 2. All others go two. 100% Powder Puff trophies, free T-shirts, fin. pins, etc. Entry $10.50 mail, $12.50 post. Run by the people who put on the Hook and Ladder. Family Enduro Association, P.O. Box 987, Temple City, CA 91780. 213/287-4471.

POKER RUN & EASTER EGG HUNT
M.O.R.E. Foundation Benefit. From Hwy. 680, take Concord Ave. west to Contra Costa Blvd., north to Center, west to Hidden Valley Pk. Games for children and adults. Sign in 9-11 am. $2.50 donation. S.R.R.A. Outriders. 415/682-1190, 916/371-9068.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Rcwy., Carlsbad, CA. Gate opens 6:30 a.m.; sign 6:30-8:30 a.m.; prac. 7:30-8:30; race 9 a.m. Jrs. & Ints. $7 mail, $10 post entry; Pros $12 mail, $15 mail entry. CMC, Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. 714/557-3323.

D-36 SEMI—PRO ROUGH SCRAMBLES
Salinas Airport, Hwy 101 and Airport Rd. Signup 8 am. Entry $6 Ex., $5 Nov/Jr/Mini. All classes, open traction. 100% Ex. p.b. 408 / 899-2401, 394/8225.

CRC MOTOCROSS
Escape Country Racing World, Trabuco Cyn., CA. 2 motos and $ to Ex., 3 motos and 30% brass to Sp½tsmn. All classes. Overnight parking. Gate open 7 am, prac. 8, race 9:30. Ex. $10, Sptsmn. $7, $2 extra non-memb. 213/830-7519.

AMA MOTOCROSS
Olsburg, KS. From Olsburg go ½-mi. east on State 16, turn south, go 1½-mi. Mini-125-250-Open classes. Sign up 9 am to noon, prac. 11-11:45, race noon. 50% of gate to Sr. riders. Knobby Hills, Inc., RR 4 Box 23, Manhattan, KS 66502. 913/539-8510, 456-9576, 456-2738.

D-36 SCRAMBLES
Salinas Airport, Hwy. 101 and Airport Blvd. Minis thru Open. 100% p.b. to Ex. Entry $5, Ex. $6. Class "C" traction. 408/899-2401, 394-8225.

TT SCRAMBLES
Sidewinder Spdwy., Kingman, AZ. Prac. 11 am, race noon. 30% trophies, Expert Purse. Entry $4 plus $1 gate. 602/753-5153.

MOTOCROSS
Sand Hill Ranch, Brentwood, CA. Corner Vasco Rd. and Camino Diablo. Entry $9, Ex. $15, p.b. to Ex. All classes incl. OT & Vet. New track, 687-2159, 634-3328. Cancelled

CMC MOTOCROSS
Cycle Haven Park, Long Beach, CA. Across L.B. Naval Base, 1 mi. E of V. Thomas Bridge. Prac. 7:30 am, race 9. Entry $6, gate $1, Pros $12. 33% trophies. CMC lic. req'd. 213/832-6844, 547-1818. Cancelled

AMC MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Gate open 7:30, prac. 8-9, race 9:30. No mail entry. $7/$12 post, $2 xtra non-memb. $3000 med. cov. 30% same day brass, 100% Pro p.b. 714/581-2778.

AME MOTOCROSS
Spillway Park, Santa Maria, CA. Hwy 101 to Broadway exit, follow signs to riverbed. Sign up 7 am, race 9. Entry $8 Jr/Int, $12 Pros. Race for stock/mod ATC-90s. 30% brass, 100% p.b. to Pros. Free camping, $4000 rider medical. 805/937-6171.

OLD TIMERS MX
395 Cycle Park, Adelanto, CA. limited to members only.

SPEEDWAY PRACTICE
Elsinore Rcwy., Hwy 71 at Lagonia, Elsinore CA. New track. 714/674-5383, 826-2386.

MOTOCROSS
Oak Hill, Alvord, TX. North of Decatur 7 miles on 81-287, exit Mt. Zion Rd., follow signs. Signup for all classes starts 7:30 am. Split program. Nov. and OT prac. 8, race 10, Int/Sr prac. 1 pm, race 2. $1008 purse if 20 or more entries in each Sr. class. 817/427-2663, 263-0152 eves.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Dunlap Park, 38 mi. east of Fresno, CA on Hwy. 180 to Dunlap Rd., right 4 mi. to track. Entry $7 mail, $9 post, $15/$17 pro. 100% p.b. to Pro, 30% trophies to others. Free overnight camping, gates close 11 pm. 2250 E. McKinley, Fresno, CA. 93703. 209/233-1834, 439-3042.

AFM STADIUM ROAD RACE
605 Spdwy, 605 Fwy. N of San Bernadino Fwy. to Los Angeles St. exit. 4900 Riverside Rd. GP, Prod. Superstreet classes. Entry $10 mail, $15 post. Preview of Fri. night stadium road racing. 4996 Argyle Dr., Buena Park, CA 90620. 714/523-3892.

D-36 SHORT TRACK
Lodi Cycle Bowl, Morse Rd. off Hwy. 99, Lodi, CA. Mini and Sptsmn. $4, Expert $2.50 at sign up. 100% p.b. less insurance. 209/527-5603.

AME MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Gate open 7, signup 'til 8:30, prac. 8, race 9. Entry $8 mail, $10 post, Pros $12/$15. Memb. req'd. $8. Payback to Pros, 40% brass to Sptsmn. Mail entry no later than Fri. before event. AME, P.O. Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

April 13

CMC HSMX
South Bay Park Spdwy., San Diego, CA. South on I-805 from Chula Vista, take Otay Mesa Rd. exit, go east 5 mi. All CMC classes. Entry $7, CMC lic. req'd. P.O. Box 995, Chula Vista, CA 92010. 714/420-7414.

R.A.C.E. HALF MILE & SHORT TRACK
Corona Rcwy., Hwy. 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. All classes. P.O. Box 388, Corona, CA 91720 714/735-1705.

April 15

CMC NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Irwindale Rcwy., Irwindale, CA., at 605 and 210 Frwys. Pit opens 4:30 p.m.; sign 'til 6:30; prac. 6-7:00; race 7:30 p.m. Every second Friday of month is Points Night. Buy entry at track night of event. 714/557-3323

AME YOUTH DIVISION MX
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Mini track. All classes, Pee Wee thru 105cc, 33% brass. Prac. 7 pm, race 8. Entry $6, memb. req'd., $8. $4000 med. cov. 213/881-5778.

AME NITE MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Prac. 7 pm, race 8. Post entry only, $6, Pros $10. 100% p.b. to Pros, 30% trophies. $4000 med. covg. 213/881-5778.

AMA HALF MILE
Manzanita Spdwy., 35th Ave., and Broadway, Phoenix, AZ. Ex., Jr., Nov., $1200 purse. Race starts 7:30 pm. 602/276-7575.

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R.A.C.E. MOTOCROSS
Corona Rcwy., Hwy. 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. Mini thru Open, 100% p.b. to Ex. 714/689-1913, 735-1705.

SHR NITE MOTOCROSS
Sand Hill Ranch, Brentwood, CA, corner Camino Diablo and Vasco Rd. Sign up 5 pm, prac. 6:30, race 7:30. All classes plus trophy dash and all-comers minibike race — entry $1, winner takes all. 100% Ex. p.b., 30% trophies. Entry $8. 687-2159, 634-3328.

April 16

WIDOWMAKER HILLCLIMB
AMA Nat'l. Qualifier. 15 mi. S of Salt Lake City, take I-15 to Utah State Prison exit. Entry $10, $25 Exhibition (100% p.b. in exhibition). 9 am start. 1500-foot hill, 3 hills running at once. Admission $5. Bees M.C. 801/561-8849.

S.A.M. HIGH SCHOOL MX
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Individual and team competition, qualifying for varsity and JV letters. Parent approval form must be on file or can be obtained day of event. 714/559-0199.

TT SCRAMBLES
Elsinore Rcwy., Hwy. 71 at Lagonia Ave., Elsinore, CA. Sign up 6 pm, prac 7, race 8. Gate $2, race $3. 20% brass. Clubs and groups welcome, ride own class. Beg. thru Ex. 714/674-5383, 826-2386.

D-36 SEMI PRO SHORT TRACK
Town and Country Frgrds., Napa, CA. Take 3rd St, to Silverado Trail entrance. Gates open 3:30 pm, prac. 5, race 7. All classes, incl. minis. Aragon M/C, P.O. Box 1311, Novato, CA 94947. 415/892-5350.

QUARTER MILE SHORT TRACK
Green Country Spdwy., Vera, OK. Hwy. 75, 15 mi. N of Tulsa. Prac. 5, race 7:30. Entry $5, Ex. $10, 100% p.b. to Ex. 80-Open, Am. & Ex. classes. 918/932-4214, 428-3697.

SADDLEBACK SATURDAY MX
Saddleback Pk., Orange, CA. Gate opens 7:30 am, prac. 8-8:30, race 9. Pros race 40 min, others 30 min. Entry $8, Pros $13. No membership or mail entry req'd. 33.33% trophies. 714/830-8010.

R.A.C.E. MOTOCROSS
Corona Rcwy., Hwy. 91 & Buchannon, Corona, CA. Mini thru Open. 100% p.b. to Ex. 714/689-1913, 735-1705.

SHORT TRACK
Lodi Cycle Bowl, Morse Rd. off Hwy. 99, Lodi, CA. Entry $5. D-36 rules. 447-1504.

April 16-17

HANGTOWN HANGOVER OLD TIMERS MX
Plymouth Raceway, Plymouth, CA. Sierra Old Timers. Sat. team races, Sun. individual races. Old Timers class for over 40, must belong to recognized club. Vet class for 35 to 40, Sptsmn. class for sons/daughters of OT & Vets. Entry opens Feb. 15, closes Apr. 1. Entry $20, Sptsmn. $8. Victory party $3. 7224 Linda Sue Wy., Citrus Hts., CA 95610. 916/967-9396 after 5:30 pm.

P.I.T.S. OBSERVED TRIALS
Clarence Darrow Supreme Court Trial. Knoxville (Hunting Camp), near Lake Berryessa. Sat. fun events, Sun. Class A trial. Ex., Am., Nov. A, Kids (who sign up and ride in the afternoon) classes. Sign up 8:30-10 am, trial starts at 10:30. Entry $5, P.I.T.S. memb. $4. Redwood City P.I.T.S. 415/369-3966, 591-4727.

April 17

LAS VEGAS 400
Las Vegas, NV. Replaces "Mint 400 motorcycle race" $12,000 guaranteed purse. Entry $250 per team. 7 laps on 50-60 mi. course. Sportsman Cycle, 3475 Boulder Hwy, Las Vegas, NV 89121. 702/457-0343.

B.O.S.S./CMC SEMI PRO MX
Sacramento OHV Park (old McGill), Hwy. 50 to Prairie City, right to White Rock, right 2 mi. to track. All classes, incl. Vet., OT, and Mini. 1st race of 3 race Spring high-point series. Entry $9/$15. 100% p.b. to Pro, 30% trophies. 916/635-5240.

TSCEC ENDURO
Thurber, TX, (Ghostown), 70 mi. west of Ft. Worth. A/B/C classes, 85 mi. long. Entry $14. 1312 Timbercreek, Benbrook, TX 76126. 817/249-2282.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Open 7:30 a.m.; sign 8-9:00; prac. 8-9:00; race 9:30 a.m. Jrs., Ints. $7 mail, $10 post. Pros $12 mail, $15 post entry. 714/557-3323. CMC, Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA. 92626.

MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET
Sacramento Rcwy., off Hwy. 16 south of Mather AFB. Open 7 am to 3 pm. Admission: Buyers $1, sellers $3 per area. 916/363-2653.

ECRA MOTOCROSS
Escape Country Racing World, Trabuco Cyn., CA. Classes: 1st Day, Beg., Nov., Int., Ex., Pro. Entry for memb. $7, Pros $10. Non-memb. $10/$15. 100% p.b. to Pros. 714/581-6400.

SEMI-PRO CMC MX
Action Rcwy., 5 mi. west of Corning, CA., on Corning Rd. off I-5. Gate opens 7:30, prac 9, race 10 a.m. Expert/Pro entry $15; Nov., Int. $8. 100% Exp. payback. 100% trophies to Pee Wee. Rain or shine. 241-1100.

AMC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Rcwy., Carlsbad, CA. Gate open 7 am, prac. 8-9, race 9:30. No mail entry. $7/$12 post, $2 extra non-memb. $3000 med. ins. 100% Pro p.b., 30% brass. 714/581-2778.

AME MOTOCROSS
Sprockets Park, Bakersfield, CA. Gate opens 7 am, prac. 8, race 9. Post entry only, $8 Sptsman, $12 Pros. Memb. required $8. 100% p.b. 40% brass to Sptsmn. AME, P.O. Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5770.

MINI MOTOCROSS
Barona Oaks Rcwy, Hwy. 67 to Lakeside, E. on Mapleview, N. on Ashwood, 11mi. up Wildcat Cyn. Rd. Sign up 7 am. Mail entry $6, post $7. California Mini cycle Club, P.O. Box 302, Jamul, CA 92035. Overnight camping. 714/743-4215, 749-2525, 461-4686.

CRC OUTLAW GP/TEAM RACE
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. 4-mi. course, 45-min. races 90-min. team race. Fin. pins, trophies, Cash to Ex. Sptsmn. entry $12, send entry and SASE to CRC, 24518 Island Ave., Carson, CA 90745. Ex. entry $15, post only. Team race $8 per rider, post only. $2 discount to CRC memb. 213/830-7519.

DRA GREASEWOOD DERBY
California City, CA, N of Galileo Hill. Start time 9:30 am. Hare scrambles — 3x30 mi. $380 purse, 1½x DRA points, 20% trophies, $3000 med. ins., etc. Limed to 17 mi. N of 4/Corners on Hwy. 395, and from Cal City Golf Course. 714/373-4647.

CRC PUCKER BUNNY ENDURO
Charlie's Place, Red Mountain, CA. Limed from Hwy. 395 and Trona Rd. 2 loops, 35 mi. each. A, B and C riders. 1st loop easy, 2nd challenging. Women, Minis and C riders under 16 go 1 loop. All others go two. Easter Bunny will be there. Mail entry $11 and 2 SASE to CRC, 7601 Arlington Ave., Riverside, CA 92503. $2 discount to CRC memb., $13 post entry. All family teams free, 2 & 3 man teams add $1 per rider. 714/689-6114, days.

D-37 ENDURO
Checkpoints M/C Jubillee Enduro. Gorman, CA. A riders start 1st, Bs 2nd, Cs 3rd. Entry $11.50. Entries open Mar. 14, close Apr. 10. 300 rider limit. Drawing Apr. 11. Entry (on D-37 form only) and 3 SASE to Clarence Whitley, 7148 Jasper St., Alta Loma, CA 91701. Spark Arrestors req'd., no street gear. Key time 8:00 am. 213/843-8478. 714/524-1367.

MOTOCROSS
Motorcycle Rcwy., Oklahoma City, Ok. 405/627-3989.

MOTOCROSS
Mosier Valley MX Park, Arlington, TX. Rain or shine. $663 guaranteed purse or 50% of gate if rain. Brass to six places. Free keg beer. Gate $3, Nov. entry $5, Int. $6, Ex. $7. Nov. prac. 9 am, race 10. Int/Ex. prac. 1 pm, race 1:45. Payoff to Senior classes only. All classes. 817/277-9917, 267-9153.

MOTOCROSS
Sunshine Cycle Pk., Tucson, AZ. I-10 to Paloverde, south to track. Gate opens 8:30 am, prac. 9, race 10. Entry $8, Pros $12. 100% Pro p.b. Phoenix riders pay only $3 admission (except Pros). 602/795-1490.

SRA TEHACHAPI GRAND PRIX
Tehachapi, CA. 100-mile races on 10-mile GP course. Entry limited to 400 riders. All classes. SRA comp. lic. req'd. Entry $17 mail, $20 post. fin. pins, decals, 20% trophies, Sat. horsehoe pitching contest. 213/320-1015.

AME BENEFIT MOTOCROSS
Third Annual Elks' Cerebral Palsy Benefit MX for crippled children. 100% donation to Cerebral Palsy cause, contingency prizes to all riders. OTHG, Side Hacks, Mini thru Open Pros. Spillway Park, Santa Maria, CA. U.S. 101 to Broadway exit, follow signs. 50% trophies, entry $8. No AME card req'd this race. 805/937-6171.

ITA TRIALS AND SCHOOL
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Sign up 8:30 am, riders mtg. 9:45, competition starts 10. Entry $5, non-memb. $7. Beg, Nov, Am, Ex, Sr, 1st time Beg classes. School taught by Expert rider. Awards to top 40% 714/879-0570.

AMA PRO HALF MILE
San Jose County Fairgrounds, 344 Tully Road, San Jose, CA. $1200 purse. Gates open 9 am, races 2:15 pm. Adults $4.50, child under 12, $1. 408/295-3050.

TT & HALF MILE
395 Cycle Park, Adelanto, Ca. Sign up 8:30-9:30 am, half mile 10, TT noon. All classes $2 gate, $4 each entry. Free customer camping, 25% brass.

D-37 HARE AND HOUND
Lucerne Valley, CA. Limed from the "Y" cafe to Soggy Dry Lake. 9 am start, Rescue 3. Participation trophy. Kids race Sat. Rovers Boner Run III. 213/896-6206.

AFM ROAD RACE
Sear's Point Int'l. Rcwy., Sonoma, CA. Hwy. 37 and 121. GP, Prod., Sidecar, SprStrt, BxStck classes. Pre-entry $18/$8, post $20/$10. AFM, 6548 Wyndham Dr. #2, Sacramento, CA 95823. Pre-entry 916/382-0611. Info: 707/938-8448.

TT STEEPLECHASE
Green Country Spdwy., Vera, OK. 15 mi. N of Tulsa on Hwy. 75. Prac. noon, race 1:30. Entry $5, Ex. $10, 100% p.b. to Ex. 80-Open, Am, & Ex. classes. 918/932-4214, 428-3697.

April 23-24

AFM ROAD RACE
Ontario Motor Spdwy., I-10 E to Haven St. exit, Ontario, CA. Sat. reg. AFM program. Sun. 6-hour endurance race. All classes on Sat., pre-entry $18, post $20. Six hour race, entry $50, $3000 purse. 4996 Argyle Dr., Buena Park, CA 90620. 714/523-3892.

April 24

MAMMOTH GRAND PRIX
Mammoth Lakes, CA. 200 mi. 125-250-Open classes, entry $15. P.O. Box 87, Mammoth Lakes, CA 714/934-2343.

WTTA OBSERVED TRIALS
Texas Trials Championship Round #4, Big Spring, TX. Championship, Championship support, Novice and Novice support classes. Novice at 9 am, championship class at 1 pm (sign up until noon). Site nr. intersection of US 87 and FM 700. Riders mtg. 8 am. Travis W. Hunter, 3702 Boulder, Big Spring, TX 79720.

URA FROSTY CACTUS ENDURO
Rescheduled from January. Charlie's Place, off Trona Rd., Red Mountain, CA. Powder Puff and Mini go 1 loop, all others go 2. 20% brass. Mail entry $9.50 for 1 loop, $11 for two. Post $10.50/$12.50. URA/SRA comp. lic. req'd. Decals and fin. pins. Entry and 2 SASE to URA, 6622 Gerald Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406. 213/785-9673, after 4:30 pm.

D-36 WESTERN REGIONAL H&H CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER
Weeks, NV. Double championship points to D-36 Experts. Out of district cards accepted; out of district riders may qualify for final. Desert Bums M/C, Inc., P.O. Box L, Sparks, NV 89431. 702/329-9264, 323-7305.

D-36 MOTOCROSS
Under the "E" ST. Bridge, Marysville, CA. Hwy 70 to N. Beale Rd., Shad Rd. fishing access over levee to track. Gate open 7 am. prac. 9, race 10. Entry $8 sptsmn., $15 Ex, $3 spec. All classes plus PP, OT & Mini. 2113 Paseo Ave., Live Oak, CA 95953. 916/695-2727.

D-36 SEMI PRO SHORT TRACK
Salinas Airport, Hwy. 101 and Airport Blvd. Sign up 8 am, prac. 10, heats noon. Class C traction.

Nov/Jr/Minis $5 entry, $6 Ex. 100% p.b. to Ex. 408/899-2401, 394-8225.

250 AMA NATIONAL MOTOCROSS
Hermond, Neb., 27 mi. N of Omaha. $8,000 purse. 500cc Support class. Tickets $6. 402/391-8581.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Cycle Haven Pk., Long Beach, CA. Across from L.B. Naval Base, 1 blk. E of V. Thomas Bridge. Prac. 7:30 am, race 9. Entry $6, gate $1, Pros $12. 33% trophies. CMC lic. req'd. 213/832-6844, 547-1818.

CMC SEMI PRO MOTOCROSS
Hollister Hills, Hollister, CA. Gate opens 6:30 am, prac. 7:30-8:30, 1st race 9. Entry $9, Pro $15. 100% p.b. to Pro, 30% trophies. 100% natural terrain grass track. 415/656-2643.

D-37 HARE SCRAMBLES
Lucerne Valley, CA, limed from Y Cafe to Soggy Dry Lake. 45-mi. loop, Trail Nov. and Beg. go once. Entry $8. Jackrabbits M.C. 213/868-5551

P.I.T.S. TRIALS
La Grange, CA. Hwy. 5 to Hwy. 132 through Modesto to Snelling – Merced turnoff, turn right, go 2 mi. Sign up 8-10 am, riders mtg. 10, start 10:05. Ex., Am., Nov., Trail Bikes, Jr., Ladies and Grey Beard classes. Entry $4.50, PITS memb. $3.50, Jr. and ladies $2. East Bay PITS "Stumpjumper VI." 415/793-6926.

D-36 SEMI PRO HALF MILE
Orland, CA. All classes incl. Minis. Spec. 750cc class for Jr. and Es. Gate opens 7 am, prac. 10, race noon. Aragon M.C., P.O. Box 1311, Novato, CA 94947. 415/892-5350.

MOTOCROSS
Oak Hill, Alvord, TX. North of Decatur 7 miles on 81-287, exit Mt. Zion Rd., follow signs. Signup for all classes starts 7:30 am. Split program. Nov. and OT prac. 8, race 10. Int/Sr prac. 1 pm, race 2. $1008 purse if 20 or more entries in each Sr. class. 817/427-2663, 263-0152 eves.

ECRA MOTOCROSS
Escape Country Racing World, Trabuco Cyn., CA. Classes: 1st Day, Beg., Nov., Int., Ex., Pro. Entry for memb. $7, Pros $10. Non-memb. $10/$15. 100% p.b. to Pros. 714/581-6400. $1000 purse.

SEMI-PRO CMC MX
Action Rcwy., 5 mi. west of Corning, CA., on Corning Rd. off I-5. Gate opens 7:30, prac 9, race 10 a.m. Expert/Pro entry $15; Nov., Int. $8. 100% Exp. payback. 100% trophies to Pee Wee. Rain or shine. 241-1100.

MOTOCROSS
McAllen MX Park, Next to Miller Inter. Airport, McAllen, TX. Entry $6, Ex. $8, money to Ex. McAllen M.C. 512/686-4181.

B.O.S.S./CMC SEMI PRO MX
Helvetia Park, Harbor turnoff is W. Sacramento, CA, 7 miles along river. All classes. Entry $9, Ex. $15, 100% p.b. to Ex. 30% trophies 916/635-5240.

CRC MOTOCROSS
395 Cycle Park, Adelanto, CA. 2 motos, cash for Pros. 30% trophies for Sptsmn. New long combination track. Entry $7 Sptsmn., $12 Pros, non-memb. add $2. Gates open 7 am, prac. 8, race 9:30. Overnight camping. 714/689-6114, days.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Mountain High Internat'l, 34 mi. NE of Fresno, CA. Hwy. 99 to Hwy. 41 to North Fork, O'Neals turnoff to rd. 200 to Rd. 221 (14 mi.). If coming from north, Hwy. 99 to Madera Hwy. 145 to Hwy. 41 and follow lime. 100% Pro p.b., 30% brass. Entry $7 mail, $9 post, $15 Pro. 5780 E. Holland, Fresno, CA 93727. 209/291-8793.

MOTOCROSS
Lake Whitney Cycle Ranch, Whitney, TX. Split program, Nov. Signup 8-9 am, prac. 9-10, race 10:15. Int/Ex. signup noon, pract. 1 pm, race 2. Entry $5 Nov.; Int. $6; Ex. $8. Purse $705 or 50% of gate in bad weather. 817/694-2901.

D-36 MOTOCROSS
Under the "E" St. Bridge, Marysville, CA. Hwy 70 to N. Beale Rd., Shad Rd. fishing access over levee to track. Gate open 7 am, prac. 9, race 10. Entry $8 sptsmn., $15 Ex, $3 spec. All classes plus PP, OT & Mini. 2113 Paseo Ave., Live Oak, CA 95953. 916/695-2727.

CMC POINTS MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Rcwy., Carlsbad, CA. Gate opens 6:30 a.m.; sign 6:30-8:30; prac. 7:30-8:30; race 9:00 a.m. Jrs. & Ints. $7 mail, $10 post entry; Pros $12 mail, $15 post entry. CMC Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA. 92626. 714/557-3323.

AME MOTOCROSS
Spillway Park, Santa Maria, CA. Hwy 101 to Broadway exit, follow signs to riverbed. Sign up 7 am, race 9. Entry $8 Jr/int, $20 Pros. Race for stock/mod ATC-90s. 30% brass, 100% p.b. to Pros. Free camping, $4000 rider medical. 805/937-6171.

AME MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Gate open 7, signup 'til 8:30, prac. 8, race 9. Entry $8 mail, $10 post, Pros $12/$15. Memb. req'd. $8. Payback to Pros, 40% brass to Sptsmn. Mail entry no later than Fri. before event. AME, P.O. Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

April 30-May 1

DRA CALIFORNIA CITY GRAND PRIX
California City, CA. $5000 cash and contingency. 25% Beg. brass, 20% other classes. Fin. pins, double DRA points. All Jr/Sr riders ride with reg. ability/displacement classes. Sat: 0-200 Beg., PP Beg, Minis, 3-wheel, Hacks at 8:15 am; 250/Open Beg, Sr. Beg at 11:45 am; 0-200 Nov, Sr. Nov, Advanced PP at 2:45 pm. All Sat races 60 mi. Sun: 250/Open Nov, 8:15 am. AllAm/Ex, Sr. Am/Ex at noon. Sun. races 80 and 100 mi. Mail entry, $20 and 2 SASE to P.O. Box 2605, California City, CA 93505. 714/373-4647.

2-DAY RELIABILITY TRIALS
Fort Hood, TX, enter main gate off Hwy. 190, follow arrows. ISDT Qualifier. Impound on Apr. 29. Entry $25 indiv., $30 club team, $35 manufacturor team. F.H.D.R.C., P.O. Drawer A, Ft. Hood, TX 76544. 817/532-5386.

May 1

D-36 MOONSHINER ENDURO
Oak Run, CA. Aprox. 100 mi. 1st rider out 8:01 am. Starting time by drawing, A rider drawn 1st, entries must be received by April 12 for drawing. D-36 card req'd. 500 rider limit. Entry $10 per rider, extra $3 per 3-man team. Muffler/spark arrestor req'd. Entry, 3 SASE to Redding Dirt Riders, 5177 Old Alturas Rd., Redding, CA 96001. 916/241-7945, 547-3892.

TRAILBLAZERS BANQUET
Brookside Club House, 1133 N. Rosemont, Pasadena, CA. For motorcycling enthusiasts of the Catalina GP era, or earlier. Bench racing at 4 pm, dinner at 6. Movies of Catalina GP will be shown. Cost is $10, incl. tax & tip. Reservations must be made by Apr. 22. Make checks payable to Trailblazers, and send them to Max Bubeck, c/o Tiger Distributing, 653 W. Broadway, Glendale, CA 91204. 213/246-7132.

P.I.T.S. OBSERVED TRIALS
Sacramento P.I.T.S. English Observed Trials. Murderer's Gulch, Auburn, CA. I-80 E from Sacto. to Foresthill exit, cross Auburn-Foresthill bridge, first paved road to right. Novice A & B classes. Sign up 8:30-10 am, riders mtg. 9:45, start 10. Recommended for Beginners. 916/481-1262.

ADRA ROCKY POINT GRAND PRIX
Puerto Penasco, Mexico. 100 mi. Grand Prix start on downtown pavement, fenced ptis w/security. pre-entry $13 ADRA memb., $16 non-memb. Post entry $20/$25. $100 to 1st OA, $200 if 2nd in a row. Dune Buggy race Sat., fiesta Sat. nite. 1408 E. Granada, Phoenix, AZ 85006. 602/252-1900.

May 7-8

RUSS DARNELL MOTOCROSS SCHOOL
Hollister Hills, Hollister, CA. $30. 213/249-5032, 367-1722.

VIRGINIA CITY GRAND PRIX
Virginia City, NV. Entries open Apr. 1, close May 1. $20 pre-entry, $35 post. Approx. 150 mi. Pure silver bars to overall winner each day. Sat. 100-125-200-250 Nov, 125 Jr & Ex, Powder Puff, Nov. Vet & OT. Sun., Open Nov, 200-250 Jr & Ex, Open Jr & Ex, Vet & OT Jr & Ex. Spark arrestors mandatory. 400 riders per day limit. Only Western States Racing Association entry blanks accepted. Include 3 SASE and mail to P.O. Box 7244, Reno, NV 89510. AMA & D-36 rules. 702/358-0170, 322-8083.

June 4-5

D-37 VIEWFINDERS GRAND PRIX
Carlsbad Rcwy., Carlsbad, CA. Robbie Parma Memorial. All races 2 hrs. Sat: 0-250 all classes. Sun: Open, Women, Sr., S/H, 4-stroke. Special 4-stroke class, entry $10, 1 hour race (sidehacks also 1 hour). Other classes $13. Entries open Apr. 8. Entry and 2 SASE to Viewfinders GP, (0-175) 5417 Lockhurst Dr., Woodland Hills, CA 91364 213/340-2366; (176-250cc) 4252 Cochran, Simi Valley, CA 805/522-5877; (Open) 25682 Via Solis, San Juan Capistrano, CA 714/493-1881; (all others) 6615 Pettit, Van Nuys, CA 91406 213/781-8190.

FREE LISTING

CALENDAR

Listings must be received by noon Thursday to be included in the following week's Cycle News. No listings can be accepted by phone. Please include a phone number for additional information. Mail the completed blank to Cycle News Calendar, Box 498, Long Beach, CA 90801.

Event date _____ Event sanction _____ Event type _____

Location _____

How to get there _____

Classes _____ Purse _____ Entry fee _____

Mailing address _____

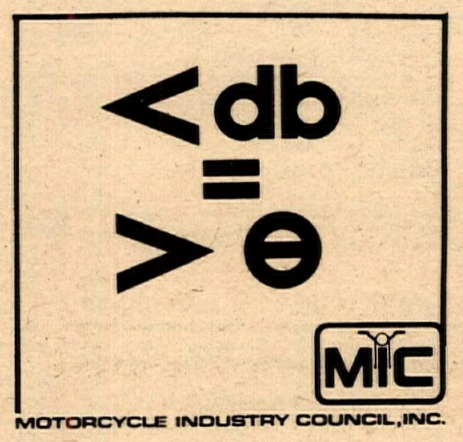
Other info _____

Your name _____ Phone number for info _____

'Spectro MX'
Saturday, **April 16** Saddleback Park
$600 Purse 125-250-Open
FREE Spectro Oil to 1st 100 riders
Sportsmen – **FREE** Spectro Engine Oil, Gear & Fork Oil, and Chain Lube to all 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sportsmen class winners + Trophies
info: 714-495-4771

4th Annual
Dirt Diggers Motorcycle Club
Dirt Diggers
Dinosaur TT Scrambles
May 1st Perris Raceway
on the long track
4-Strokes Only
21"-500-Open-Sidehacks welcome
Entries limited
$10 Mail $13 Post
mail 1 S.A.S.E. & any standard entry form to: Dinosaur TT c/o DDMC, 8925 Hargis St., Los Angeles, CA 90034 for info call: Skip Kreps 213-649-1700 days only

MX track open 5 days a week
RACING WORLD ESCAPE COUNTRY
Trails open for riding 7 am til dusk 7 days a week
Events Scheduled:
April 10
CRC Motocross
April 17
E.C.R.A. Motocross
April 24
E.C.R.A.
$1000 Motocross
Sat. racing discontinued until further notice – New series starting – watch Cycle News.
714-581-6400 Trabuco Canyon



MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY COUNCIL, INC.

AME Membership required $8
1st & 3rd Sundays
Sprockets Park, Bakersfield
Post entry only $8 Sportsmen $12 Pros
2nd & 4th Sundays
Indian Dunes
Sportsmen $8 mail – $10 post
Pros $12 mail – $15 post
Every Friday Night
Indian Dunes
Post entry only $6 Sportsmen $10 Pros
AME #1 for the year 125 Pro – 250 Pro – 500 Pro receives a $500 cash prize & top points Pro receives an additional $500 cash prize
AME
PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335
213-881-5778
$4,000 medical insurance

CRC
Pucker Bunny Enduro
April 17
Charlie's Place
Red Mountain
714-689-6114 days
No Membership required
see calendar for more info

Cycle Haven – Long Beach
CMC Motocross
No Race April 10
Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 24
for info: 213-832-6844

Youth Division Indian Dunes
Calendar of Events
213-881-5778
Sunday, April 10 – Mini Track
Friday, April 15 – Mini Track
Friday, April 22 – Mini Track
Sunday, April 24 – Int'l. Track – 3 foot trophy day

Race Schedule
Apr. 10 – Escape Country
Apr. 17 – Indian Dunes
Apr. 24 – De Anza
May 1 – Indian Dunes
CRC 213-830-7519

AMA **District 37**
Grand Prix Scrambles
Desert MX Enduro
We've got it all!
info: 714-646-5186
or write: 899 Darrell, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
District Hotline 714-631-3700
Up to date race information

Public lands belong to all of US.
(Ride sharefully.)
MIC MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY COUNCIL, INC.

ADRA Race Schedule
May 1 – Puerto Penasco GP
100 mile desert race
(Rocky Pt., Mexico)
602-252-1900

CRC **Jackpot Enduro**
Las Vegas
Memorial Weekend
Sunday, May 29
No Membership required
714-689-6114 days

WANT ADS

Help Wanted

Mechanic — Harley-Davidson
Five years experience a must. Top pay for top man. Call Dick Hutchins (213) 749-6235, L.A., Harley-Davidson/Yamaha. (2/TFN)

Honda mechanic wanted
Minimum 2 years experience required. Apply at Tri City Cycle, 9041 Katella Ave., anaheim, CA. (714) 821-4710. (13/2x)

EXPERIENCED YAMAHA MECHANIC 5 day week, medical, paid vacation. (213) 635-8058. (13/2x)

Mechanic wanted
Kawasaki experience, good pay. Call Hollywood Kawasaki, ask for Tony or Leon (213) 466-8451. (13/2x)

Experienced Honda partsman
Top pay for experienced man. Apply at Tri City Cycle, 9041 Katella, Anaheim, CA. (714) 821-4710. (13/2x)

Wanted experienced partsman and mechanic
English bikes and Yamaha, steady work for the right person. Call (213) 390-3406 ask for Doug or Tommy. (13/TFN)

Top mechanic needed
to work at Steve's Bultaco. Only experienced, conscientious mechanic with references need apply, for full time employment. (213) 994-7468. (14/2x)

EXPERIENCED MOTORYCLE MECHANIC WANTED — Honda & Yamaha. Minimum 2 years shop experience required. We offer year around employment, low cost group insurance, good pay. Ask for Fred. Inquire Havasu Wheels, Inc., 1665 Mesquite Ave., Lk. Havasu, AZ 86403. (602) 855-3119. (14/2x)

Parts person wanted
Young man OK, after school OK. Must know motorcycles. The Outrider, 10545 Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA. Ask for Mr. Anton (213) 879-3350. (14/3x)

Journeyman mechanic
Needed for Honda, BMW shop. Must have own tools & references. Ask for Dennis (213) 843-0486. (14/TFN)

Honda mechanic
Honda experienced only, must be good, own hand tools. Good shop, lots of work, steady year round. Palm Springs area, Oasis Honda (714) 346-8311. (14/4x)

WANTED — HUSKY forks for 1976, 250-360. Jim, after 5 p.m., Upland (714) 985-1567. (14)

'71, 400 Husky
Good running condition. (213) 339-8309 eves. $500.00 or offer. (213) 331-6496 days. (14)

DKW's (two)
'73 Hornet w/"B" engine, 8" Betors, Maverick shocks. Engine fresh rebuilt. $325. '72 Motocross w/"A" engine in good condition. $225 or ? (714) 886-1616. (14)

750 Yamaha
Shell racing frame, TT pipe, spare parts, $250.00. Kwik Way Boring Bar, used twice, $2000.00. (213) 633-3768. (14)

1976 KTM 250
Excellent condition, play biked 4 times only. (213) 926-2771. (14)

Yamaha 250 MX flattracker
Very fast, extra clean, ready to go. $650. (714) 827-8119. (14)

1976 RM100
Up-tight tensioner, Barum tires, excellent condition, more. $525.00. (714) 529-2994. (14)

'73, 350 Bultaco Pursang
Desert ready. Glass 3½ gal. tank, new tires, fenders, Shox. Completely reconditioned. Fast — dependable, $550. After 7 p.m. (805) 526-0168. (14)

Suzuki RM125A
Super clean, excellent cond., must sell, need money for car. $595.00. (213) 344-3628. (14)

'74 Husky 250 mag
Ridden 6 hrs., xtras, $750 or ? (213) 322-0859. (14)

Finisher pins
Most of the Finisher Pins you're wearing we made — Now — Buy factory direct. Save 20% Cal-Mart Plating, 607 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, California 90014. (213) 623-6987. (4/TFN)

Crank regrind & bearing set
All Honda 750s. $130.00. Exchange + shipping + tax or dealers welcome. Additional bearings available. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Tues.-Sat. (415) 828-8463. (12/4x)

Wanted — roadracer
Used 250, 350, or 750. Able to give decent down payment but need you for financing of balance. Have good credit and a fat super secure new job. Call Collect (805) 985-2523 and ask for Bruce. (12/3x)

Last chance-74 mag Husky 250
Wide-ratio trans., gas Curnutts, Vesco and MX tanks; new '76 head, top, bottom ends; $600. (213) 285-6732. (12/3x)

125 Yamaha-YZ/MX your choice
Was set up by Gordon Schmidt & in cherry cond. All extras go with bike. "Priced right." Ask for Gerry P/P (213) 280-3977 wk., (213) 284-7953 home. (14)

Motorcycle dealership!
Yamaha, Bultaco, Norton, Maico. 7 yrs. successful operation with excellent potential! Terms to qualified buyers — $150,000. Real Estate Center, (408) 426-5533, Santa Cruz, California. (12/6x)

Beg — Novices wanted
Rams M.C.(213) 596-3691, (213) 365-5377. (11/4x)

Attention Yamaha dealers
I have a degree in Accounting and 10 years experience, 6 as a Yamaha dealer. If you need a General Mgr. or Service Mgr., call me (919) 682-2222. (12/4x)

Russ Darnell MX School
May 7th & 8th Sprockets Park, Bakersfield. May 28th & 29th Hollister Hills. July 4th-8th. 5 day training camp, Indian Dunes. Limited entry. Call for reservations & information. (213) 249-5032 or (213) 367-1722. (14/8x)

Wanted ride AFM 6-hr. race
250cc April 24 AFM-CMC. OK rider. Contact Mike Seifert (714) 278-7246. (13/3x)

Suzuki RM125A
Completely super trick, engine, forks, shocks, tires, etc. Race ready. Call for more information. (213) 360-7989. (13/2x)

Montesa 250 enduro
Perfect cond., low miles, S&W's, aluminum bars, quick throttle, licensed, Petty fenders, zerk fittings on swingarm, trick tensioner, $800.00. (714) 830-9076. (13/2x)

'76 Husky 360 WR
Low mileage — new engine — excellent cond. (213) 248-2870. (13/2x)

550 Honda Cafe
Complete Camber Carrera Cafe set up. Full fairing, seat, tank, fenders, Hooker 4 into 1, Koni shocks, Goodyear Eagle RR tires. Less than 3000 mi., excellent condition. Only $1200 or best offer. Days (213) 820-3601, eve. wk. (213) 368-7488 ask for Tom. (13/3x)

New '77 Husky CR125
Ridden only 2 tanks, racing plans changed, Fox Shox, Barum Bermaster front. Will deliver reasonable distance. $1295/offer. (805) 438-5220. (14)

'73 Yamaha 360 MX desert
Completely overhauled, tank, Koni, plate, pipe, tensioner, Circle Ind., Cheng Shins. $600.00. Clean, fast. Mike after 5 (213) 830-2433. (14)

'75½ Husky 250GP
New top & bottom end, new trans., Protab triple crown, gas Girlings, new fenders & paint. Must see, $900 or offer. (213) 423-1646. (14)

'73 Husky 250WR
Recent rebuild, forward mounted Boge shocks, Mikuni carb, 3.50-4.25 tires, Malcolm Smith Skinny Fat tank, new cables, fast, clean and sassy. $750. (714) 593-8601. (14)

C&J TT500 Yamaha
Vesco, cam, Mikuni, Betors + more. Cheaper than stock — $1200. Hurry! (714) 621-3290. (14)

1976 YZ250C Yamaha
Desert ready, Vesco tank & stock, K&N filters, 350 Cheng Shin front, bash plate, P-P num. plate, green stickie, $875.00. (213) 286-5517. (14)

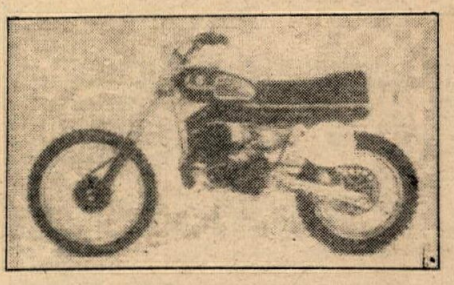
'73 CZ 400, taking up space
Hasn't been ridden in year, have many extras. $500.00 or best offer. (213) 322-5670. (14)

'76, 125 YZC monoshock
Best one you'll find. Ridden very little. Have a '76, 250, and want a '77 but am short some bucks. $575.00. (714) 968-8573. (14)

360 HUSKY G.P. 1975. VERY CLEAN & very fast. Both tanks, air forks, original throughout, $995.00. (714) 638-7174 days, (714) 533-2120 nights. (14)

1976 XL-125 low miles
Street ridden, xlnt. $500 — (213) 986-2011 before 9 a.m. (14)

DKW parts
100cc GP cyl., piston stock. Shift shaft, 3rd over piston, selector keys. (714) 963-2754. (14)



Mission Hills Motorcycles Hodaka HUSQVARNA Montesa
'77 models now in stock. Sale on all '76 models. (213) 785-4289. (8/TFN)

MINI RACER. Indian mini — just rebuilt & super quick, $200.00. (714) 898-6181. (14)

YAMAHA '76RD400. New condition — Need $ for college, $950. (714) 375-9405 or (714) 686-3383. (14)

Cheney BSA $499
'70 frame, '69 B44 eng., "street licensed," enduro set up. Betors, Curnutts, 257 lbs. w/full tank. (714) 542-8964. (14)

MOTORCYCLE — PARTS SWAPP MEET — Sunday, April 17th Sacramento Raceway — Excelsior Road (South of Mather AFB). Hi-Performance — Antique — Complete motorcycles. Buyers $1. Sellers $3. 7 a.m.-3 p.m. (916) 363-2653. (14/2x)

Wanted TR-3 top end
Must be in good condition. Tom. Call eves. (213) 762-7742. (14/2x)

PARTS AND INFO WANTED for 1937 Triumph 500 single and 1948 Speedtwin. L. Tinson, 9415 E. Firestone #208, Downey, CA 90241. (213) 862-8153. (14/3x)

ATC-90 and Odyssey owners
We stock Poweroll 140cc kits, cams, carb kits. Hooker pipes and DG Hi Performance pipes for the Odyssey plus original Honda parts. Call Honda of Temple City (213) 287-0781. (13/2x)

KTM Penton MC5 + G.S.-6 skid plates
Contoured and form fitting aluminum skid plate. Protects those valuable center and side cases. A must for all riding situations. Heavy duty but only 2½ lbs. Includes all necessary brackets. Installs in minutes. $26.95, send check or money order to: TRAILS END, 16394 E. 14th St., San Leandro, CA 94578. (415) 278-1565. Calif. residents add sales tax. (12/TFN)

1973 Kawasaki 350
J & R chamber, K81's, rebuilt eng., cust. paint, fast and clean, $700.00. (714) 521-8790. (14)

Boss frame 250YZ '75 Yamaha
Nickel frame, Barnes wheels, Betor front end, new barrel, new paint job, Williams pipe, 38-carb., new tires. Fast, like new. Extras: Cut Pirelli and Carlisle, Lectron carb. 38, scrambles peg plates, 10 sprockets and carrier with wrench, and odds and ends. Call: (707) 763-4669 — ask for John — after 5:00. (14)

HONDA MR175, EXCELLENT COND. First $500.00 takes it. Extras available. May take Honda TL250 or TL125 in trade. (805) 969-3050. (14)

1974 Bultaco Matador
Excellent condition, 250cc, street licensed, $400. (805) 685-2445. (14)

'75, 440 Maico
Clean, well maintained, gas Girlings, $800.00. (415) 584-6627. (14)

1974 Husky 6-spd. WR 400
Excellent condition, Curnutt shocks, new CR pipe, very fast and very clean. Call after 5:30 p.m. (213) 359-2080. (14)

'70 Husky 400 Cross
Never raced, good cond., runs great. Original tool kit & manual. $350 or best offer. Weekdays, call (714) 526-2516. (14)

'76 RM125A
Excellent condition. Chain tensioner, Andre bars, fifteen tooth countersprocket, Hex bolts in side covers, mostly desert ridden. Mon. thru Fri. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. $600.00. (714) 774-4440. (14/2x)

1976 Yam. 125 YZC
Ported, 520 chain, reworked forks, fast & reliable, immaculate condition. $575.00. (213) 442-6328. (14/3x)

IT 400 Yamaha SF Bay area
Perfect condition. Less than 300 miles, 2 tanks. $900. Call after 5. (415) 796-4699. (14/2x)

'74 Yamaha 125 MX
Fast, clean, reliable, $350. After 6 (714) 984-5841. (14)

'77, 125 Elsinore
Magnesium Marzocchi GP forks, "Thor." swingarm, S&W shocks, 34 Mikuni, air cone pipe, RC tank, H.D. spokes and Metzeler front, 4:10 Yokohama back, S&S chain tensioner, aluminum wheel spacers, Magura levers, Andres, Ourys. Bike is sano. $2000.00 invested, $900.00 cash, firm, must sell. After 6 (213) 823-1968. (14)

'75 Yamaha 175 MX B
One year old, mint condition. Fantastic playbike. Trickit, extras, $550 or best. (714) 532-5745. (14)

'75 Can-Am 175 TNT
X'lnt. cond. — Top performance, orig. owner, enduro winner, if you are. Be a winner. Call now. $775 is all. (213) 249-1925. (14)

'75 Bultaco Frontera 360
Works Performance shocks, Steve's pipe mods, excellent cond. throughout. Well maintained, runs great, reliable, $575. Call before noon. (213) 340-3349. (14)

'72 CZ 400
Sharp, never raced, 2 tanks, Akronts, Maguras, Mikuni. 4 spd., $450. (805) 259-8236. (14)

YZ 250 mono
Set up for MX, cut gears, stuffed crank, well maintained. Have receipts for motor work. Best offer. After 5:00 (213) 445-2378. (14)

New Honda XL-350
1975, only 850 miles, everything perfect, $795.00. (213) 337-3293. (14)

'76 YZ-80-C
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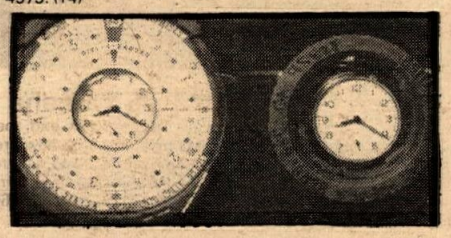

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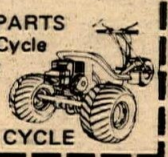

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"We never touched!" he replied when asked if he'd stuffed Weinert. "He was trying to pass both me and Ellis in that turn," he added, putting the blame back on the Jammer. Either way, Weinert was out. He reinjured his ankle and flew back home to prepare for the Hangtown National rather than race the second event at Pontiac.

Minutes later, Tony D found a way around Pomeroy, slipped into second, and headed out after Hurricane Hannah.

At almost the same time, Maico's Gaylon Mosier decided to "go for it" and passed Howerton to take over fifth place. On the following two laps, he cut under Marty Smith for fourth and overtook Jim Pomeroy, driving into third place under full momentum on his way to the front. But no sooner had he shut the door in Pomeroy's face, then the Maico slowed to a halt!

"Picked up a rock," a totally disgusted Mosier said afterward. One of Pontiac's pebbles had wedged in between the Maico's chain and sprocket, killing what could have been the best ride of the night. Gaylon got it out and rode to a ninth placing. "Tomorrow," he vowed, "tomorrow."

With Mosier out, Hannah and DiStefano rode out the race 1-2.

Likewise, Pomeroy held down a fairly secure third. Husky's 500cc National Champion Kent Howerton got past Marty Smith into fourth in spite of having motor problems.

"It was seizing," Kent said, "it didn't lock up, it just felt like I was in deep sand."

Smith closed on the sick Husky on the final lap. He came alongside, but in the final turn Howerton found some speed.

"I was going to let him go," Kent said, but somehow the bike pulled through.

Sunday's repeat and raffle

Hannah hounded Marty Smith throughout their qualifying heat but backed off on the final lap while Marty scored the win. The second heat saw Howerton overtake Pomeroy in the final laps when Bimbo got caught in lapped traffic. Heat three went to Tony D all the way while Jimmy Ellis worked up from sixth to finish second. Don Kudalski took the final qualifier over Steve Stackable. Semi one went to Kenny Zahrt while John Savitski attacked Mark Barnett for the last chance to qualify. Savitski tucked under Barnett in a tight turn, the pair tangled, and both went down. Savitski got up first. Barnett found some satisfaction by taking the consolation win. Tommy Croft made the program by winning the second semi while Daytona Support class winner Roger Brown recovered from a turn one crash to take second, the final qualifying position.

The Sunday afternoon final on Pontiac's excellent (for an indoor) course was one of the most intense battles of the Supercross Series. Jimmy Ellis, followed by Danny LaPorte, Mickey Boone, Tony D, Chuck Sun and Tony Summey, led the mob through turn one melee that grounded Tommy Croft, Jeff Jennings, Roger Brown and Kenny Zahrt. Hannah had gotten through the tangle in seventh. He was followed closely by Howerton and Semics; Pomeroy and Mosier were back in 13th and 14th place.

The race immediately took shape in a number of two, three and four-way battles as the big guns struggled for a top position on the tight stadium track. Lap two saw Ellis sailing along out in front with LaPorte riding the wake while DiStefano headed a threesome that included Sun and Summey. Howerton held off Hannah and Semics only a second or two back. Five minutes into the moto, Tony D closed on Danny LaPorte, wedged inside his Suzuki teammate as they approached a tight bump/turn/obstacle, and went down in a heat when they tangled. Both restarted, 16 long seconds down on the leaders.

Hannah inherited second when the Suzukis crashed, although Ellis still held a fair lead. Sun followed Hannah, and Howerton had closed on Summey who was running fourth at the time. DiStefano rode in sixth ahead of Mosier and Semics.

Halfway through, Hannah was obviously closing on Ellis. DiStefano, Mosier and Howerton completed the top five. Tony D and Gaylon were involved in a duel that carried them closer and closer to the top two with every lap.

Near the three-quarter mark, Hannah finally overtook Ellis. The two had created the scene of the evening; an incredible shootout that had the crowd within a few decibels of drowning out the sound of the cycles. Two laps later, DiStefano got around Ellis and the top three places were fixed. Fourth and fifth went to "Gassin' Gaylon" Mosier and Kent "Rhinestone Cowboy" Howerton.

Howerton's front motor mount had come loose, and the vibration had made it an ordeal just to hang on. Steve Stackable, previously third in the Supercross Series standings was forced out of the race when his Maico developed a problem.

"It broke a cylinder stud or something — the base gasket's gone — it's blowing out under the cylinder," the tall Texan shrugged.

"I want a wider track and 45 minutes!" Gaylon Mosier said, talking about the difficulty in passing on the indoor courses. "I can't get a start," he added, "Somebody's always weaving over on me." Mosier's ride from 14th to fourth makes one wonder what might happen when he does get his "wider track and 45 minutes" to work with.

Meanwhile, up in the winner's circle, Bob Hannah was drawing the name of his motorcycle's new owner. He'd staged a raffle at five bucks a chance.

"He called me up and asked if he could do it," Yamaha's National Racing Manager Ken Clark grinned, "and I told him that if there was no law against it, to go ahead!"

Brothers Bill and John Ossenmacher had each chipped in $2.50, neither wanting to risk a full five dollar bill, and it was their single ticket that Hannah pulled out of the box.

Then Bob went one step further. "I guess we'll really make 'em feel primo," he told announcer Dave Despain, "and give 'em their five dollars back!" ●

Results

FINAL RESULTS APRIL 2, 1977: 1. Bob Hannah (Yam), 2. Tony Distefano (Suz), 3. Jim Pomeroy (Hon), 4. Kent Howerton (Hus), 5. Marty Smith (Hon), 6. Jim Ellis (C-A), 7. Mickey Kessler (Mon), 8. Don Kudalski (C-A), 9. Gaylon Mosier (Mai), 10. Rick Burgett (Yam), 11. Danny LaPorte (Suz), 12. Ken Zahrt (Bul), 13. Steve Stackable (Mai), 14. Tony Summey (Yam), 15. Terry Clark (Kaw), 16. Tommy Croft (Hon), 17. Rich Eierstedt (Bul), 18. Pat Moroney (Hus), 19. Jeff Jennings (Suz), 20. Ted Foltz (Mon), 21. Pat Snyder (KTM), 22. Mickey Boone (Suz), 23. Chuck Sun (Hus).

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FINAL RESULTS APRIL 3, 1977: 1. Bob Hannah (Yam), 2. Tony DiStefano (Suz), 3. Jim Ellis (C-A), 4. Gaylon Mosier (Mai), 5. Kent Howerton (Hus), 6. Chuck Sun (Hus), 7. Danny LaPorte (Suz), 8. Tony Summey (Yam), 9. Marty Smith (Hon), 10. Don Kudalski (C-A), 11. John Savitski (Suz), 12. Jim Pomeroy (Hon), 13. Mickey boone (Suz), 14. Rick Burgett (Yam), 15. Terry Clark (Kaw), 16. Tommy Croft (Hon), 17. Gary Semics (Kaw), 18. Jeff Jennings (Suz), 19. Ken Zahrt (Bul), 20. John Ayers (Mai), 21. Mickey Kessler (Mon), 22. Roger Brown (Pen), 23. Ted Foltz (Mon).

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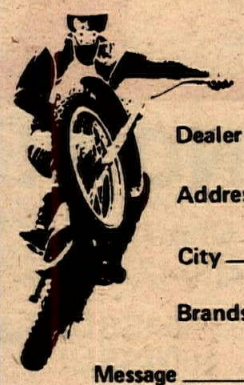

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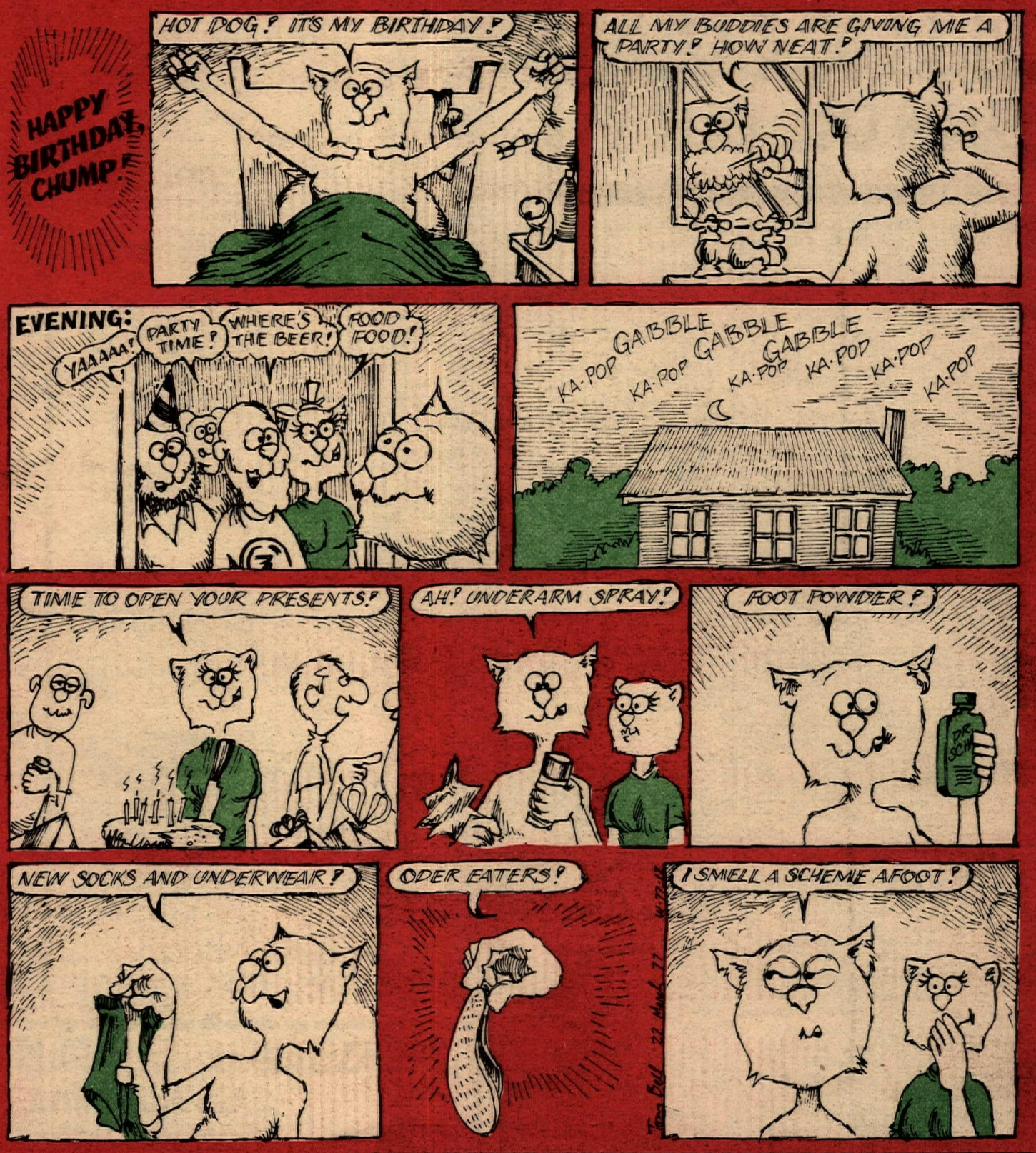

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